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FOREWORD

This annual report, the thirtieth in a series, presents statistical data on the quality and quantity of agricultural drainage water in the San Joaquin Valley. California Department of Water Resources staff collects and interprets these data to identify drainage problem areas and plan drainage management projects.

This report contains data collected for the 1992 calendar year and includes graphs showing trends indicated by these data. Included in the report is a map and acreage of present and potential drainage problem areas. The report also contains the results of a ground water synoptic study by the U.S. Geological Survey in cooperation with the Department of Water Resources.

The Department of Water Resources invites comments and suggestions concerning the report itself and the scope and conduct of its ongoing data-gathering effort.

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INTRODUCTION

Monitoring of agricultural drainage water in the San Joaquin Valley began in 1959 as a cooperative effort between the California Department of Water Resources and the University of California. In 1963, the monitoring program became part of DWR's San Joaquin Drainage Investigation. Although the investigation ended in 1970, the monitoring program continued as a separate departmental activity until 1975, when DWR, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and the State Water Resources Control Board formed the Interagency Drainage Program. The monitoring program was continued from June 1975 to June 1979 to provide technical assistance to IDP. When IDP ended in June 1979, the DWR monitoring program was resumed as a separate activity under DWR's Agricultural Drainage Program.

In 1983, waterfowl deformities detected at Kesterson Reservoir, the interim terminus of the federal San Luis Drain, resulted in a new interagency drainage study — the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program — which completed its final report in September 1990. In December 1991, several State and federal agencies signed a memorandum of understanding and released an implementation strategy which included a commitment to a long-term program to monitor drainage conditions and the impacts of actions to manage drainage problems. The DWR monitoring program will be continuously evaluated and modified to meet the monitoring needs of the implementation strategy.

DRAINAGE PROBLEM AREAS

The San Joaquin Valley is a rich agricultural region that encompasses large areas with high water tables. The elevations of these water tables are influenced by irrigation practices, cropping patterns, and unlined ditches or ponds. DWR defines "problem areas" as locations where the water table is within 5 feet of the ground surface any time during the year. Table 1 presents the acreage of present and potential drainage problem areas in spring 1993. Plate 1 (bound at back of report) geographically illustrates the Valley's drainage problem areas in spring 1993. The map shows areas considered to be present problem areas where the water table is within 5 feet of the soil surface. Areas where the water table is between 5 and 20 feet below the soil surface are considered to be potential problem areas.

In preparing the map and table, items such as existing drainage systems, wildlife refuges, urban areas, pasture land, and native vegetation were not taken into account. In these areas, especially refuges and urban areas, the extent of shallow ground water may be overstated and should be investigated separately before making projections about whether these areas will require drainage systems in the future. Most of the data used to complete these statistics were obtained from local agencies; the remainder came from depth measurements made by DWR.

TABLE 1

ACREAGE WITH PRESENT AND POTENTIAL

DRAINAGE PROBLEMS IN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

SPRING 1993

(acres)

Area*	0- to 5- Foot Depth	5- to 10- Foot Depth	10- to 15- Foot Depth	15- to 20- Foot Depth	Total
Grasslands	148,000	137,000	102,000	25,000	412,000
Westlands	70,000	172,000	87,000	66,000	395,000
Tulare	203,000	151,000	34,000	0	388,000
Kern	24,000	124,000	<u>164,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	337,000
Total	445,000	584,000	387,000	116,000	1,532,000

^{*}Areas are consistent with those defined in the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program's September 1990 report entitled A Management Plan for Agricultural Subsurface Drainage and Related Problems on the Westside San Joaquin Valley. The northern area referred to in that report is not included since the area is not part of this study.

1992 DRAINAGE MONITORING PROGRAM

DWR's 1992 San Joaquin Valley drainage monitoring activities consisted of collecting water samples from 28 subsurface and 2 surface drains in the areas shown on Figure 1. Figure 2 shows the specific locations of the central area drains, while Figure 3 shows the sites of the southern area drains. DWR has not routinely monitored the northern area since 1969 because USBR handles drainage monitoring from Tracy to Gustine. USBR also collects data on various drainage systems in the San Luis and Delta-Mendota service areas and publishes these data as they become available.

The number of drains sampled in the central and southern areas in 1992 was one less than in 1991. Table 2 lists the drains sampled during the 1992 program.

TABLE 2

1992 DRAINAGE MONITORING STATIONS

Central Area	Southern Area
BVS 6016	CCN 3550
BVS 8003	CNR 0801
CTL 4504*	COC 4126
DPS 1367	COC 5329
DPS 2535	ERR 7525
DPS 3235*	ERR 8429
DPS 3465	ERR 8641
DPS 4616	GSY 0855
FBH 2016	HCH 7439
FBH 8061	LNW 5454
HMH 7516	LNW 5467
	LNW 6459
	LNW 6467
	SFD 2727
•	STC 3505
	STC 5436
	VGD 3906
•	VGD 4406
No.	VGD 5412

^{*}Surface drain

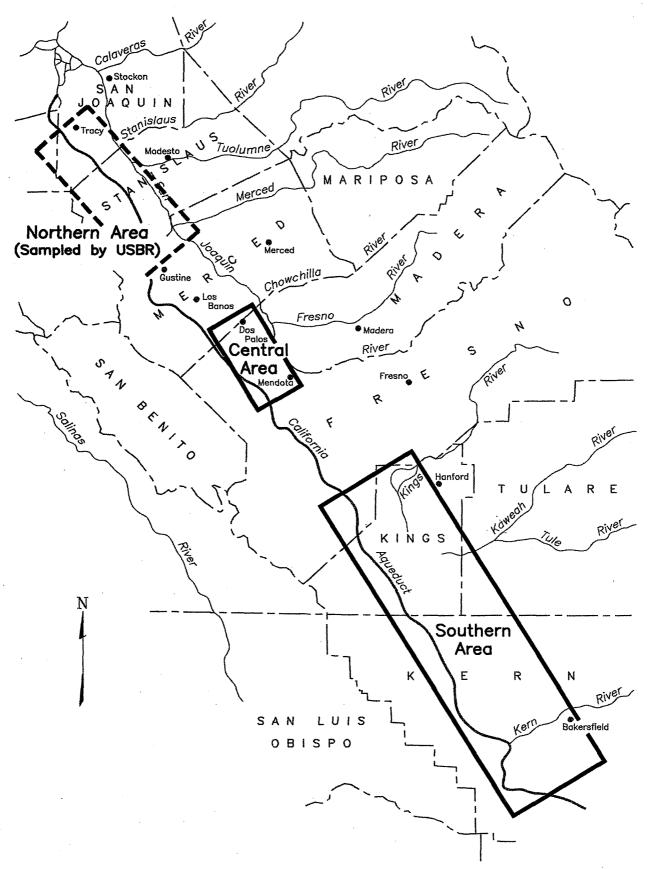


Figure 1. Overview of Sampling Area Locations

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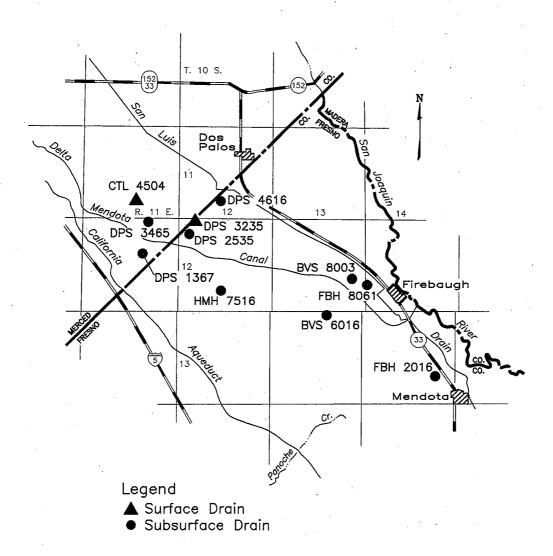


Figure 2. Central Area Drain Locations

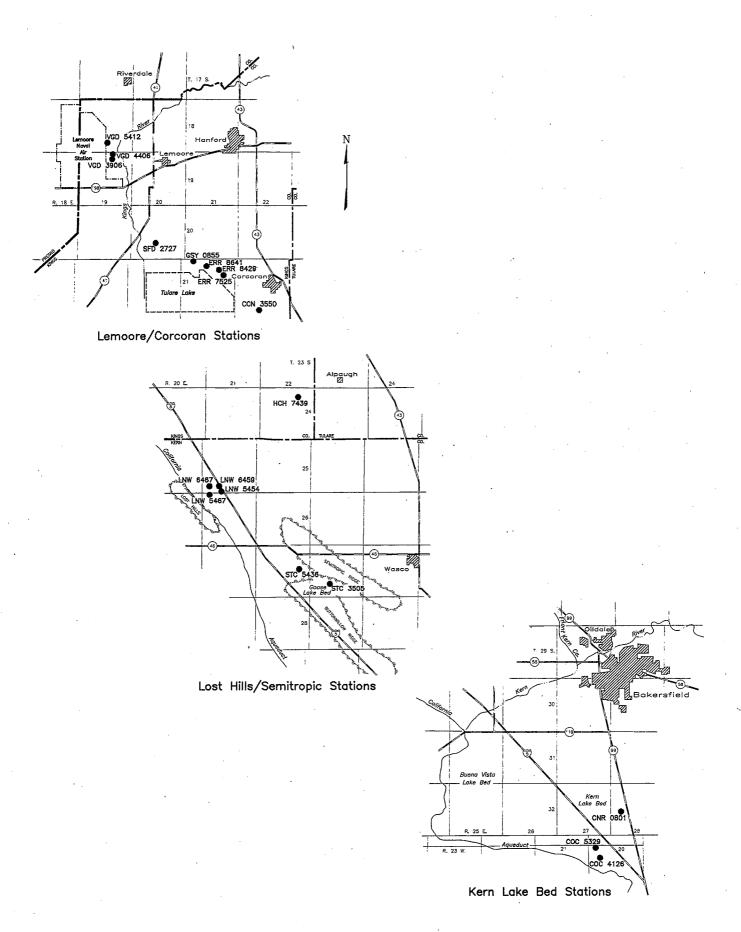


Figure 3. Southern Area Drain Locations

Flows

The 1992 flow monitoring program collected data for each drain's total flow volume by converting sump pump power use into acre-feet or by reading flow meters directly.

Table 3 presents results of the 1992 flow monitoring program. Caution should be exercised in using these results. In many cases, flow was estimated or averaged due to missing records. Also, many drains receive ground water from areas outside the drainage pipe collector network. Depending on the soil surrounding the drain, one month's flow may consist of part of the previous month's irrigations. Also, one drainage sump may act as a collector point for six or more drainage pipe systems.

Pesticides

The 1992 drainage monitoring program did not include testing for pesticides, since only very low concentrations of chlorinated hydrocarbon or organic phosphorous pesticides have been found in the past.

Nutrients

The 1992 drainage monitoring program did not sample subsurface drains for nutrients. In the past, nutrient data were analyzed for correlation of nutrient values versus the time of year when sampled. These correlations, however, were difficult to evaluate due to:

- 1. Overirrigation, which leads to increased leaching of salts from soils
- 2. Variable commercial fertilizer application rates
- 3. Yearly sample value fluctuations
- 4. Variable soil types

Mineral Constituent Concentrations

Table 4 summarizes mineral concentrations detected in subsurface and surface drains for the central and southern areas, including arithmetic averages and geometric means. Table 5 shows the 1992 mineral constituents for the central area. Table 6 lists the results for the southern area. The principal minerals present in subsurface drain water are sodium and sulfate. Mineral constituents that appear in water as salts directly affect the electrical conductivity (EC) of the water. EC has been found to closely correlate with sodium and sulfate, as shown in DWR drainage monitoring reports for the years 1974 through 1976.

In the central area subsurface drains, sodium concentrations ranged from 196 to 2,590 milligrams per liter (mg/L), with an arithmetic average of 987 mg/L. Sulfate ranged from 885 to 5,310 mg/L with an arithmetic average of 2,267 mg/L. In the southern area, sodium had levels from 369 to 17,200 mg/L. Sulfate concentrations ranged from 550 to 16,800 mg/L, with an arithmetic average of 6,118 mg/L. EC varied from 2,490 to 54,400 microsiemens per centimeter (μ S/cm).

Station	Area Tiled (acres)	Jan*	Feb	Mar*	Apr	May*	Jun	Jul*	Aug	Sep*	Oct	Nov*	Dec	Total	Average Water Drained (acre-feet per acre)
				• •	, -		Central	Area						-	
BVS 6016	740	0.0	0.2	0.2	3.1	3.1	12.6	12.6	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	28.4b	61.4	0.08
BVS 8003	110	1.3	5.1	5.1	6.7	6.7	2.1	2.1	9.6	9.6	2.1	2.1	3.8b	56.3	0.51
DPS 1367	120	8.1	19.1	19.1	34.0	34.0a	34.0	34.0	36.9	36.9	12.3	12.3	21.2b	301.9	2.52
DPS 2535	320	6.7	16.2	16.2	34.6	34.6	23.4	23.4	11.0	11.0	4.8	4.8	16.2b	202.9	0.63
DPS 3465	160	5.2	4.9	4.9	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.4	13.9	13.9	3.6	3.6	6.7b	82.9	0.52
DPS 4616	140	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0b	7.3	0.05
FGH 2016	81	3.4	10.3	10.3	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9	11.1	11.1	0.0	0.0	0.1b	48.9	0.60
FBH 8061	320	2.9	0.0	0.0	32.3	32.3	30.7	30.7	23.5	23.5	18.6	18.6	22.4b	235.5	0.74
							Southern	ı Area							
CCN 3550	880	1.8	12.0	12.0	5.5	5.5	5.9	5.9	6.8	6.8	3.3	3.3	6.6b	75.4	0.09
ERR 7525	220	10.7	26.0	26.0	37.8	37.8	8.6	8.6	1.7	1.7	0.3	0.3	9.8b	169.3	0.77
ERR 8641	258	6.3	19.3	19.3	19.7	19.7	6.0	6.0	19.9	19.9	10.8	10.8	9.7b	167.4	0.65
GSY 0855	60	0.0	2.2	2.2	7.5	7.5a	7.5	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0b	34.4	0.57
LNW 6459	581	0.0a	0.0	0.0	8.8	8.8a	8.8	8.8	37.0	37.0	15.5	15.5	10.1c	150.3	0.26
LNW 6467	1,420	9.9	9.5	9.5	24.4	24.4	32.8	32.8	43.0	43.0	- 11.1	11.1	11.1c	262.6	0.18
SFD 2727	120	0.1	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.5	1.4	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.2b	29.3	. 0.24
SFD 6046	160	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0b	0.0	0.00
STC 5436	153	0.8a	0.8	0.8	16.5	16.5	6.8	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0b	49.0	0.32
STC 6467	124	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0b	0.0	0.00
VGD 3906	870	15.8a	15.8	15.8	21.3	21.3	16.3	16.3	20.4	20.4	5.2	5.2	12.6c	186.4	0.21
VGD 4406	310	14.5	32.0	32.0	27.4	27.4	24.0	24.0	31.3	31.3	9.6	9.6	14.8c	277.9	0.90
VGD 5412	275	4.8	18.1	18.1	41.0	41.0	18.1	18.1	16.0	16.0	5.6	5.6	16.0c	218.4	0.79

^{*} Denotes months that sump meter was read (averaged with alternate months).

a/ Flow was averaged due to missing records (meter was not read).

b/ Flow was averaged for period of December 1992 through March 1993.

c/ Flow was averaged for period of December 1992 through February 1993.

TABLE 4

SUMMARY OF MINERALS DETECTED
1992
(milligrams per liter unless otherwise indicated)

		Subsurfa	ce Drains		Surface Drains							
Element	Maximum	Minimum	Arithmetic Average	Geometric Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Arithmetic Average	Geometric Mean				
	,											
			Cer	tral Area								
Sodium	2,590	196	987	807	751	536	677	659				
Calcium	635	213	419	404	429	263	330	322				
Magnesium	481	47	178	150	186	83	110	108				
Potassium	5.0	1.0	2.7	2.5	4.0	3.0	3.5	3.5				
Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	346	120	198	186	174	167	171	171				
Sulfate	5,310	885	2,267	1,942	1,670	1,560	1,615	1,614				
Chloride	1,810	136	827	633	698	618	658	657				
Vitrate	241	1.0	102	70	164	49	118	110				
Boron	60	2.5	14.5	10.3	9.6	5.0	8.1	7.9				
ГDS	11,500	1,860	5,211	4,633	3,870	2,950	3,557	3,487				
EC (μS/cm)	13,000	2,310	6,452	5,859	5,180	4,000	4,765	4,677				
			Sout	hern Area								
Sodium	17,200	369	3,850	2,195								
Calcium	663	31	346	251	•	•						
Magnesium	1,490	6	348	182								
Potassium	37	1.0	7.8	4.9								
Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	802	143	405	361				n 2				
Sulfate	16,800	550	6,118	3,887								
Chloride	5,850	233	1,669	1,027								
Nitrate	407	1.0	114	54			19	•				
Boron	52	0.8	16.9	8.27	-							
rds	46,200	1,750	13,859	8,738								
EC (μS/cm)	54,400	2,490	15,431	10,541								

TABLE 5 $\label{eq:mineral} \mbox{MINERAL ANALYSES OF CENTRAL AREA SUBSURFACE AND SURFACE DRAINS } 1992$

Station	Date Time	Temp.	_	Field oratory	Mine	eral Con	stituents	in:	Milligra Milliequ Percent	ivalents		_	1.	Mineral Constituer Milligra per Liter	nts ms	SAR ASAR as
Station	Timo	_°C -°F	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	CI	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
BVS 6016	01/14/92 1300	14.0 57.2	7.5	7,493 6,420	534 26.65	216 17.76	887 38.58	-	<u>-</u> , ,	- -		128 2.06	6.5	5,210	2,220	8.1
					-			-	-	-	-					
. *	03/11/92 1250	17.0 62.6	7.5 8.0	4,744 4,860	327 16.32 29	145 11.92 21	652 28.36 50	5 0.13 0	174 3.48 6	1,660 34.53 61	603 17.00 30	113 1.82	4.6	3,730 3,679	1,410 1,236	
	05/13/92 1000	19.0 66.2	7.3	5,616 5,680	364 18.16	144 11.84	794 34.54	-	- -	- -	-	213 3.43	5.5	4,390	1,500	8.9
					·		* =		-	-		-		. 4		
	07/08/92 0930	21.0 69.8	6.6	5,508 5,760	415 20.71	176 14.47	795 34.58	-	-	- 	-	131 2.11	5.5	4,540 -	1,760 -	8.2
	•			-												
BVS 8003	01/14/92 1320	16.0 60.8	7.5	. '	394 19.66	249 20.47	1,590 69.17	-	-	-	· -	21 0.34	20.0	7,560	2,010	15.4
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	03/11/92 1310	16.0 60.8	7.3 8.0	6,897 8,610	372 18.56 18	223 18.33 17	1,580 68.73 65	0.06 0		3,790 78.83 74	774 21.83 20	104 1.67 2	18.0	7,290 7,054	1,850 1,642	
	07/08/92 0945	22.0 71.6		11,024 11,300	420 20.96	298 24.50	2,250 97.87	- -	<u>-</u>	-	-	55 0.89	25.0	9,870	2,280	20.5
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	11/12/92 0945	19.0 66.2	7.3	7,119 6,800	324 16.17	185 15.21	1,260 54.81	 -	-	-	-	26 0.42	15.0	5,840 -	1,570	13.8
	e.				-	-	-	-			-					
CTL 4504	01/14/92 1045			5,168 4,880	366 18.26	105 8.63	690 30.02	-	 -	-	-	110 1.77	9.1	3,660 -	1,350	8.1
	03/11/92	150	02	4,898	333	113	740	4	167	1,670	618	125	9.0	3 850	1,300	8.9
	0930	59.0		5,050	16.62 29	9.29 16	32.19 55	0.10	3.34	34.74 60	17.43 30	2.01	7.0		1,133	
	05/13/92 1400	24.0 75.2		3,968 4,000	271 13.52	83 6.82	536 23.32		. <u>-</u>	· -		97 1.56	6.4	2,950 -	1,020	7.3
	07/08/92 1200	27.0 80.6		4,310 4,440	429 21.41	96 7.89	552 24.01	_				130 2.09	5.0	3,370	1,470	6.2
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TABLE 5 (continued)

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	Date	Temp.	Lab	oratory					Percent Reactance Value					in Milligrams			
Station	Time		ļ											per Liter			
		°C		EC					T. Alk.	1	1			TDS	TH	CaCO3	
		°F	pН	(µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	as CaCO3	SO4	CI	NO3	В	Sum	NCH		
															i.		
CTL 4504	11/12/92		7.9	4,456	263	98	631	-	-	-	- .	49	7.1	3,250	1,060	8.4	
	1300	53.6	-	4,340	13.12	8.06	27.45	-	-	-	_	0.79		-	-	-	
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DPS 1367	01/14/92	15.0	. 7.3	5,828	632	133	525	_	_	-	_	190	5.8	4,080	2,130	4.9	
	1020	59.0	-	5,370	31.54		22.84	_	-	_	_	3.06		-	-,	-	
					-	-	-	-	-		-	-					
	03/11/92		7.4	5,086	550	130	523	2	120	1,330	924	212	5.4	3,960	1,910		
	1000	62.6	7.9	5,300	27.45 45	10.69 18	22.75 37	0.06	2.40 4	27.66 46	26.06 44	3.41 6		3,791	1,790	12.5	
					43	10	31	U	4	40	44	U		,			
	05/13/92	20.0	7.4	5,106	507	120	526	_	_	-	•	241	5.8	3,950	1,760	5.4	
	1315	68.0		5,210	25.30	9.86	22.88	-	- .	· -	-	3.88		-		-	
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					,									•			
	07/08/92		7.4	- ~ 450	635	137	532	-	-	-	-	218	5.3	4,140	2,150	4.9	
	1115	69.8	-	5,450	31.69	11.26	23.14	-	-	-	-	3.51		-	-	-	
		,			-	-		-		-	-	-					
	11/12/92	19.0	7.4	5,650	565	137	517	_	_	-	_	217	5.3	4.180	1,970	5.0	
	1200	66.2	-		28.19		22.49	-	· _	_	-	3.49		-	-,-		
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DPS 2535	01/14/92	14.0	7.3	9,144	453	177	1,280					76	18.0	6,050	1,860	12.9	
DIG 2333	1120	57.2	7.5	7,870	22.60		55.68	-		-	_	1.22	10.0	0,030	1,000	12.7	
		J		,,0,0	-	T 11.55	-	_	-	-	_						
	03/11/92	17.0	7.1	7,670	439	181	1,410	3	203	2,550	1,220	94	18.0	6,340	1,840	14.2	
	1045	62.6	7.9	8,170	21.91	14.88	61.34	0.06	4.06	53.04	34.40	1.51		6,100	1,637	35.3	
			*		22	15	62	0	4	57	37	2					
	05/10/00	10.0		. 455	420	101	1 450					104	100		1 0/0	140	
	05/13/92 1230		7.4	8,475 8,690	430	191	1,470 63.95	-	•	-	-	1.67	19.0	6,690	1,860	14.8	
	1230	00.2	-	0,050	21.40	-	03.95	_	-	• -	_	1.07		_		_	
				,													
	07/08/92		7.3	9,213	503		1,560	-	-	-	-		20.0	7,160	2,150	14.6	
	1100	68.0	-	9,190	25.10	17.92	67.86	-	·	-	-	1.58	_	-	-	-	
				-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-					
	11/12/92	10.0	71	12 760	588	319	2,120					Q.S	24.0	0 800	2,780	17.4	
	11/12/92	66.2		12,769 12,300			92.22	-	-	-	-	1.58	24.0	7,070	2,180	, 11.4	
	1120	00.2	-	12,500	, 27.5°T			· -	-		-	- 1.55					
						1											
DPS 3235				5,184	344	98	693	-	-	-	-	131	9.6	3,600	1,260	8.4	
	1200	48.2	-	4,850	17.17	8.06	30.15	-	-	-	-	2.11		-		-	
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TABLE 5 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Temp.		Field oratory	Mine	eral Con	stituents	in:		ms per L iivalents Reactano	per Lite			Mineral Constituer Milligra per Liter	nts ms	SAR ASAR as
		°C °F	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K_	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	Cl	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
DPS 3235	1115	17.0 62.6	8.0 8.1	4,956 5,180	349 17.42 30	107 8.80 15	751 32.67 55	3 0.08 0	174 3.48 6	1,560 32.45 56	698 19.68 34	163 2.62 5	9.3	3,870 3,805	1,310 1,136	
	05/13/92 1130	23.0 73.4	8.3	5,002 5,100	328 16.37	104 8.55	739 32.15	- -	-	<u>-</u> -	· -	164 2.64	9.3	3,740 -	1,250	9.1
	07/08/92	25.0 77.0	-	4,650 4,790	321 16.02	186 15.29	708 30.80		-	<u>-</u> .	<u>-</u>	129 2.08	7.5	3,570	1,570	7.7
	11/12/92 1340	14.0 57.2	8.3	5,067 5,020	299 14.92	111 9.12	734 31.93	- - -	-	-	<u>-</u>	78 1.26	9.1	3,710	1,200	9.2
DPS 3465	01/14/92	14.0	7.0	8,255	495	184	1,020	- -		. .	, -	. 90	15.0	5,500	1,990	9.9
2150105	1100	57.2	•	7,110	24.70		44.37	; -	-	-	-	1.45				. .
	03/11/92 1030	15.0 59.0	7.0 7.9	7,440 7,660	536 26.75 28	207 17.02 18	1,150 50.02 53	0.08 0	346 6.92 8	2,220 46.18 51	1,300 36.66 40	94 1.51 2	15.0	5,990 5,856	2,190 1,844	
	05/13/92 1330	18.0 64.4	7.1 -	6,095 6,350	433 21.61	171 14.06	872 37.93	-		- -	· -	105 1.69	12.0	4,740	1,780	8.9
	07/08/92 1145	21.0 69.8	7.0	6,912 7,050	476 23.75	196 16.11	1,020 44.37	- - -	-	-	- - -	115 1.85	15.0	5,380 -	2,000	9.9
	11/12/92 1230	19.0 66.2	7.0	7,006 6,810	503 25.10	179 14.71	987 42.93	-	•	-	-		14.0	5,350	1,990	9.6
						-		-	-	-	-	-				
DPS 4616				12,192 10,700		30.25	1,910 83.08 -	-	-	- - -	-	33 0.53		9,310	2,640	16.1
	03/11/92 1130	14.0 57.2		12,700 13,000		464 38.14 22	2,590 112.67 64	0.08	5.86	5,310 110.45 66	1,810 51.04 30	42 0.68 0	60.0	11,500 11,006		
	11/12/92 1420	18.0 64.4		11,730 12,400			2,310 100.48		- - , -	-	-	42 0.68	57.0	11,200	3,150	17.8

TABLE 5 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Тетр.		Field oratory	Min	eral Con	stituents	in :	Milligra Milliequ Percent	iivalents	per Lite		Mineral Constituents in Milligrams per Liter			SAR ASAR as
		°C °F	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	CI	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
FBH 2016	01/14/92 1400	14.0 57.2	8.0	8,001 6,980	446 22.26	260 21.37	1,110 48.28	-	- -	-	-	26 0.42	12.0	6,310	2,180	10.3
	03/11/92 1345	16.0 60.8	7.4 8.1	3,100	311 15.52 42	, 96 7.89 21	318 13.83 37	0.04 0	162 3.24 9	1,350 28.08 75	210 5.92 16	6 0.09 0	3.4	2,560 2,454	1,170 1,008	
FBH 8061	01/14/92 1335	15.0 59.0	7.5		278 13.87	56 4.60	196 8.53	- -	-	-	-	1 0.01	2.5	1,860 -	925	2.8
	03/11/92 1320	15.0 59.0	7.4 8.1	6,448 2,730	339 16.92 50	84 6.90 21	222 9.66 29	1 0.03 0	122 2.44 7	1,310 27.25 81	136 3.84 11	7 0.11 . 0	3.0	2,370	1,190 1,068	
	05/13/92 0900	18.0 64.4	7.5	5,037 5,140	406 20.26	162 13.32	721 31.36	-	- - -	-	-	32 0.52	9.3	4,370 -	1,680	7.6
	07/08/92 0830		7.4	5,238 5,400	390 19.46	168 13.81	802 34.89		- -,	-	-	41 0.66 -	9.5	4,620	1,660	8.5
	11/12/92 0915	19.0 66.2	7.3	4,441 4,400	348 17.37 -	156 12.82	598 26.01	- - -	- - -	- - -	-	40 0.64 -	7.0	3,700	1,51 0	6.6
НМН 7516	01/14/92 0930	16.0 60.8	6.1	3,739 3,410	272 13.57	56 4.60	424 18.44	- - -	- 	-	-	145 2.33	7.1	2,420	910	6.1
	03/11/92 1230		7.3 8.0	3,278 3,410	274 13.67 38	55 4.52 12	417 18.14 50		154 3.08 8	885 18.41 50	464 13.08 35	160 2.58 7	6.1	2,430	910 756	
	05/13/92 1045	20.0 68.0	7.3		235 11.73	47 3.86	.372 16.18	- - -	-	- - -	- - -	157 2.53	6.0	2,020	781	5.7
	07/08/92 0945	21.0 69.8		2,808 2,890		47 3.86	370 16.10	-		- - -	-	128 2.06	5.5	1,960 -	726	5.9
	09/10/92 0915	22.0 71.6		3,350 3,410	254 12.67	53 4.36	399 17.36	-	-	•_	-	153 2.46	6.6	. 2,400	852	2 5.9

TABLE 5 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Temp.		Field oratory	Mine	eral Con	stituents	in:	Milligran Milliequ Percent l	ivalents	per Lite	_	į .	Mineral Constituer Milligra per Liter	nts ums	SAR ASAR as
		°C °F	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	CI	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
НМН 7516	11/12/92 1045	20.0 68.0	7.3	3,419 3,310	256 12.77	52 4.27	420 18.27	-	-	-	- -	148 2.38	6.8	2,350	853	6.2

TABLE 6
MINERAL ANALYSES OF SOUTHERN AREA SUBSURFACE DRAINS 1992

	Date_	Temp.	_	Field oratory	Min	eral Con	stituents	in:			per Lite			Mineral Constitue Milligra	nts ıms	SAR ASAF
Station	Time	<u>°C</u>	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na ´	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	Cl	NO3	В	per Lite TDS Sum	TH NCH	as CaCO
CCN 3550	01/14/92 1000	14.0 57.2	6.9	2,900 3,710	203 10.13	94 7.73	535 23.27	<u>.</u> -	<u>.</u> -	-	-	21 0.34	0.8	2,720 -	894 -	7.
;	03/10/92 1015	16.0 60.8	7.3 8.0	6,050 5,720	288 14.37 22	158 12.99 20	880 38.28 58	5 0.12 0	398 7.96 12	1,770 36.82 56	689 19.43 29	112 1.80 3	1.2	4,350 4,300	1,370 972	10. 27.
	05/12/92 0800	16.0 60.8	7.4 -	5,596 5,050	268 13.37	131 10.77	779 33.89	- -	-	- - -	- -	104 1.67	1.1	3,730	1,210	9.
	07/07/92 0915	21.0 69.8	7.1	4,131 4,250	226 11.28	104 8.55	658 28.62	- - -	- -	· -	•	73 1.18	1.0	3,080	993	9.
	11/06/92 0915	20.0 68.0	7.1	4,620 4,730	226 11.28	111 9.12	699 30.41	, - -	. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-		50 0.81	1.1	3,510 -	1,020	9.
<i>.</i> *		•.														
CNR 0801	01/13/92 1440	17.0 62.6	7.8	8,850 9,070	311 15.52 -	226 18.58	1,820 79.17	-	* -		 -	7 0.11	21.0	7,910 -	1,710	19
	05/11/92 1300		7.1	10,350 8,810	277 13.82	220 18.08	1,750 76,12	-	-	- -	, - ,	26 0.42	20.0	7,640 -	1,600	19
	07/06/92 1200	23.0 73.4	7.4	5,304 6,030	194 9.68	67 5.51	1,180 51.33	-	- - -	- -	-	20 0.32	13.0	4,88 0	760 -	18
	11/05/92 1415	23.0 73.4	7.6	2,392 2,490	127 6.34	65 5.34	369 16.05		· _	-	- -	20 0.32	3.9	1,830	585 -	
-															•	٠.
COC 4126	01/13/92 1310	17.0 62.6		4,868 5,180		171 14.06	656 28.54	-	-	-	-	300 4.83	3.2	4,700	2,290	5
	03/09/92 1400	17.0 62.6		5,546 5,270	558 27.84 41	157 12.91 19	624 27.14 40	7 0.17 0	261 5.22 8	52.00	233 6.57 10	323 5.20 8	3.2		2,040 1,779	
-	05/11/92 1345	18.0 64.4	7.3	6,325 5,450	567 28.29	158 12.99	663 28.84	- -	, -	- -		407 6.55	3.2	4,910	2,070	ć

TABLE 6 (continued)

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			F	ield	Min	eral Cor	stituents	in:	Milliequ			r		Constitue		SAR
Station	Date Time	Temp.		oratory					Percent					Milligra per Lite	ms	ASAR as
Staton	111110	°C °F		EC (µS/cm)	C	1	NFo	К	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	CI	NO3	В	TDS	TH NCH	CaCO3
	1	, <u>r</u>	pH	(µS/CIII)	Ca	Mg	Na	1 1	jas CaCO3	304	CI	INOS	, Б	Sum	NCH	<u> </u>
COC 4126	07/06/92	21.0	7.5	4,887	617	159	614	_	_	_	٠_	276	3.0	4.630	2,200	5.7
	1230	69.8	-	5,150		13.07	26.71	-		-	-	4.44		-,	-	-
					•	-	-	-	-	-	, <u>, -</u>	-				
		•														
	11/05/92 1445	23.0 73.4	7.5	5,002 5,100	466 23.25	127 10.44	535 23.27	-	-	, -	-	254 4.09	3.0	4,660	1,690	5.6
	1443	13.4	, -	3,100	23.23	10.44	23.21	-	_	-		4.09		-	-	
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COC 5329	01/13/92	16.0	7.0	7,865	654	203	1,250	-	-	-	-	167	9.8	6,600	2,470	10.9
	1300	60.8	2	7,920	32.63	16.69	54.38	-	-	·-		2.69		-	-	-
			٠		-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	•			
				T 000		400	4 000					226		c 100	2 4 4 2	40.0
	07/06/92 1130	24.0 75.2	7.5	7,038 7,530	649 32.39	198	1,200 52.20	-	-	-	-	226 3.64	7.5	6,420	2,440	10.5
	1130	13.2	-	7,550	32.39	10.20	32,20	-	-	-	_	J.04		-	•	-
	11/05/92	23.0	7.3	6,760	562	176	1,040	-	-	-	-	325	7.0	6,120	2,1 3Ó	9.8
	1345	73.4	-	7,080	28.04	14.47	45.24	-	-	-	-	5.23		· -	-	-
					-		-	-	-		-	-				
ř																
ERR 7525	01/14/92	16.0	7.5	5,082	182	82	952	_	_	_	_	43	3.0	3,800	792	14.7
DRR 7525	1100	60.8	-	5,050	9.08	6.74	41.41	-	-	-	-	0.69		-	-	
6					-	_	-	.	-	-	-	-				
	03/10/92		7.5	5,930	194	107	1,150 50.02	7 0.18		1,970 40.98	490 13.82	102 1.64	2.9	4,510	925 306	16.4
	1100	62.6	8.3	5,960	9.68 14	8.80 13	73	0.18	12.37 18	40.98	20	1.04		4,639	300	43.6
						13	15	·	10	00		_				
	05/12/92	16.0	7.3	7,139	204	101	1,150	-	_	_	_	78	3.0	4,430	925	16.4
	0845	60.8	-	5,820	10.18	8.30	50.02	. -	-	-		1.26		-	-	-
					-		-	.	-	-	-	-				
			•								•					
	01/14/00	17.0		2 (50	21	20	002		•			70	2.5	2 520	107	24.0
ERR 8429	1115	62.6		3,658 3,720	31 1.55	29 2.38		-	-	-	-	78 1.26	2.5	2,330	197	24.9
	1113	02.0		3,120	-	2.30	-	-	-	-	-	-				
	03/10/92			5,900	65		1,260	4	802	1,440	598	. 67	3.0	4,100		
*	1115	62.6	8.3	5,860	3.24			0.10			16.86	1.08		4,294	0	63.1
					5	8	87	0	25	47	26	2				
	05/12/92	17.0	70	4,944	60	48	971	_		_	_	92	2.2	3,120	347	22.6
	0900	62.6		4,530	2.99		42.24	_	- -	-	_	1.48		ب	-	
					-	-		-	-	-	-	-				
	07/07/92			3,578	55 2.74		728	-	-	-	-	62	1.7	2,460	314	17.8
	1000	71.6	-	3,620	2.74	3.53	31.67	-	_	-	-	1.00		-	-	-
					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				

TABLE 6 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Temp.		ield oratory	Min	eral Co	nstituents	3 in :	Millieq	ams per I uivalents Reactan	per Lite			Mineral Constitue Milligra per Lite	nts ims	SAR ASAR as
		°C °F	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	Cl	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
ERR 8429	11/06/92 1000	22.0 71.6	7.8	3,922 3,850	37 1.85	35 2.88	806 35.06	- - -		-	- - -	78 1.26	2.7	2,660	237	22.8
ERR 8641	03/10/92 1130	17.0 62.6		26,255 24,400	406 20.26 6	709 58.28 17	6,040 262.74 77	37 0.95 0	746 14.91 4	12,200 253.76 74	2,600 73.32 21	66 1.06 0	6.3	23,300 22,804		41.8 116.9
	05/12/92 0930	16.0 60.8		22,082 19,700	326 16.27	536 44.06	4,650 202.27	-	- - -	-	- -	47 0.76	4.8	17,600 -	3,020	36.8
·	07/07/92 1015	20.0 68.0		20,812 20,600	316 15.77	584 48.00	5,980 260.13	- - -	- -	- - -	-	56 0.90	4.8	19,000	3,190	46.0
	11/06/92 1015	20.0 68.0		12,210 12,100	198 9.88 -	307 25.24	2,620 113.97 -	· - -	- - -	- -	- - -	24 0.39	3.2	10,100	1,760	27.1
GSY 0855	03/10/92 1200	17.0 62.6		12,980 12,200	482 24.05 15	294 24.17 15	2,500 108.75 69	21 0.54 0	436 8.71 5	5,980 124.38 78	915 25.80 16	67 1.08 1	3.7	10,900	2,410 1,974	22.1 63.3
HCH 7439	03/10/92 0945	16.0 60.8	8.3 8.3	5,808 5,380	72 3.59 6	62 5.10 9	1,120 48.72 85	4 0.09 0	345 6.90 12	1,600 33.28 59	584 16.47 29	1 0.02 0	2.5	3,770 -	435 90	23.3
	05/12/92 0700	15.0 59.0	8.3	4,328 3,960	41 2.05	40 3.29	788 34.28	- -	- -	- -,	-	0 0.01 -	2.7	2,650	267	20.9
	07/07/92 0845	19.0 66.2	8.1	3,164 3,290	39 1.95		652 28.36	- - -	, - -	- -	-	0 0.01	2.0	2,210	229	18.7
	09/11/92 0800	19.0 66.2		4,158 3,740	36 1.80	32 2.63	743 32.32	-	- , -	•	-	0 0,00	2.4	2,530 -	222	21.7
	11/06/92 0845	20.0 68.0		2,803 2,870	34 1.70	28 2.30	566 24.62	<u>-</u> -	-	- -	-	1 0.01	2.0	1,920	200	17.4 -
LNW 5454	07/06/92 1000	22.0 71.6		26,394 26,600	.501 25.00	298 24.50	7,140 310.59	-	-	-	- -	143 2.30	52.0	22,600	2,480	62.3

TABLE 6 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Тетр.	_	ield oratory	Min	eral Co	nstituents	s in :		iivalents	Liter s per Lite nce Value		1	Minera Constitue n Milligra per Lite	nts ems	SAR ASAR
Station	Time	<u>°C</u>	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	CI	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	as CaCO3
LNW 5454	11/05/92 1100	21.0 69.8		20,200 21,600	494 24.65		4,810 209.23	-	- -	-	-	79 1.27	38.0	18,300	2,250	44.1
					•	-	, -	-	-	-		-				
LNW 5467	01/13/92 1215			11,800 12,100			2,320 100.92	-	-	- 	-	278 4.48	19.0	9,720 -	2,080	22.1
	03/09/92	17.0			552		2,770	2	143		2,250	291	20.0	11,200	2,160	25.9
٠	1100	· 62.6	7.9	13,800	27.54 17	15.54 9	120.50 74	0.05 0	2.86 2	96.10 58	63.45 38	4.69		-	2,017	61.2
•	05/11/92 1045	19.0 66.2		15,933 14,400			3,010 130.94	- - -	- - -	- - -	-	375 6.04	22.0	11,500	2,290	27.3
	07/06/92 0945	22.0 71.6		12,455 12,300			2,640 114.84	-	-	-		295 4.75	18.0	9,840 -	2,160 -	24.7 -
	09/10/92			18,550	529		3,330	-			-		25.0	13,200	2,230	30.6
	0945	71.6		16,300	26.40	18.17	144.85	-	-	- -	-	4.31		-	-	· <u>-</u>
	11/05/92 1045	22.0 71.6		15,900 16,100	540 26.95 -		3,340 145.29		-	- - -	-	278 4.48 -	25.0	13,300	2,300	30.3 -
LNW 6459				35,695 41,300			•	-	· -	-	-		33.0	32,400	3,240	78.7
•	1150	60.8	-	41,300	-	-		-	-		-	1.42			-	-
•	03/09/92 1030		7.8 7.8	25,100	582 29.04 10			0.08 0	3.38		5,650 159.33 51			20,200		
	05/11/92 1000	15.0 59.0		55,430 50,800				- -	-	- -		162 2.61	47.0	42,200	3,580	96.0
	07/06/92 0915	18.0 64.4		55,200 51,900			591.60	- -	-	<u>.</u>	-	144 2.32	47.0	43,300	3,810	95.9
	09/10/92 0930			73,440 51,500		462	17,200		-	- -	-			42,600 -	-	

TABLE 6 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Тетр.		Field oratory	Min	eral Co	nstituent	s in :	Milliequ		<u>Liter</u> s per Lite nce Value			Mineral Constituer Milligra per Lite	nts ms	SAR ASAR as
		<u>℃</u> ℉	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na ·	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	Cl	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
LNW 6459	11/05/92 1015	20.0 68.0		57,720 54,400	663 33.08		17,000 739.50	- -	-	- - -	- - -	140 2.25	46.0	46,200	3,950	117.6
															•	
LNW 6467	01/13/92 1200	17.0 62.6		19,765 19,400	624 31.14		4,040 175.74	-	-	· -	-	197 3.17	27.0	15,300	2,840	32.9
	*					•		-	-		-	-				*
	03/09/92 1045	17.0 62.6	7.6 7.8	25,900	588 29.34 9		6,120 266.22 81	0.07 0	169 3.38 1	7,270 151.22 47		262 4.22 1	39.0	21,100	3,060 2,891	48.1 118.3
	05/11/92 1020	17.0 62.6		28,615 25,500	594 29.64	352 28.93	7,680 334.08	, <u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	-	-	252 4.06	43.0	21,100	2,930	61.6
					-	-	-,	-	-	-	-	-				
·	07/06/92 0930	22.0 71.6		12,455 27,000	532 26.55	368 30.25	6,580 286.23	-	-	-	-	234 3.77	48.0	22,800	2,840 -	53.6
					-	-	-					-				
V	11/05/92 1030	22.0 71.6		11,448 18,900	630 31.44		3,580 155.73	- -	- -	-	- - -	192 3.09	27.0	15,100	2,820	29.3
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SFD 2727	03/10/92 1215	17.0 62.6	7.0 8.0		296 14.77 14	448 36.83 35	1,240 53.94 51	3 0.09 0	7.46 7	3,980 82.78 82	325 9.17 9	67 1.08 1	2.7		2,580 2,207	10.6 27.0
	05/12/92	17.0	7.1	8,555	286	452	1,260		_	_	_	63	2.5	7.050	2,580	10.8
	1000	62.6	-	-		37.15	54.81	-	-	-	. <u>.</u>	1.01		-	-	-
	07/07/92 1045	24.0 75.2	6.8 -		189 9.43	230 18.91	649 28.23	-	 -	-	-	62 1.00	1.5	3,680	1,420	7.4
						-		·	• -	-	-	-				
	09/11/92 1000	20.0 68.0	. 6.9 -	•	_	157 12.91	556 24.19	-	, -	-	- , -	4 0.06	1.3	3,250	1,190 -	7.0
							•									
STC 3505	01/14/92 0815	15.0 59.0	8.0	2,976 3,000	59 2.94	9 0.74		<u>-</u>	 -	. -	-	76 1.22	2.2	1,970 -	184 -	19.6
					-	-	-	-		-	-	-				
	03/10/92 0830	17.0 62.6		3,068 2,920	66 3.29 11	10 0.82 3	24.84	0.01 0	330 6.60 23	550 11.44 40	9.56	83 1.34 5	1.5	1,890	206 0	

TABLE 6 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Temp.		ield oratory	Min	eral Co	nstituents	sin:	Millieq	ams per I uivalents Reactan	per Lite			Minera Constitue n Milligra per Lite	nts ams	SAR ASAR as
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		°C °F	pН	EC (µS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	. K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	Cl	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
STC 3505	05/12/92 0530	15.0 59.0	8.0	3,348 2,890	55 2.74 -	7 0.58	580 25.23	- -		- - -	-	96 1.55	1.6	1,860 -	166	19.5 -
	07/07/92 0800	22.0 71.6	7.8	2,639 2,740	48 2.40	7 0.58	554 24.10	· .	- - -	-	-	95 1.53	1.6	1,770	149	19.7
	09/11/92 . 0700	22.0 71.6	8.0	2,968 2,700	41 2.05	6 0.49	543 23.62		· -	` <u>-</u>	-	90 1.45	1.6	1,750 -	127	20.9
	11/06/92 0745	21.0 69.8	8.1	2,711 2,810	48 2.40	7 0.58	589 25.62	- - -	- - -	- -	- - -	87 1.40	1.6	1,830 -	149	21.0
STC 5436	03/10/92	16.0 60.8		12,705 11,900	106 5.29 4		2,770 120.50 92	8 0.21 0	493 9.85 8	2,800 58.24 45	2,180 61.48 47	64 1.03 1	9.1	8,420 -	512 19	53.2 141.6
VGD 3906	03/09/92 0930	17.0 62.6	7.6 8.0	25,400	322 16.07 4	715 58.77 16	6,810 296.23 80	5 0.14 0	361 7.22 ·2	15,500 322.40 87	1,350 38.07 10	53 0.85 0	37.0	26,000	3,750 3,389	48.3 133.5
	05/11/92 0845	17.0 62.6		32,922 29,600	424 21.16	998 82.04	7,850 341.47	· -	- -	· -	- -	33 0.53	33.0	30,900	5,170	47.5
	07/06/92 0800	19.0 66.2		27,120 26,800	286 14.27		8,770 381.49	- - -	- - -	- -	-	41 0.66	33.0	27,700 -	5,040	53.7
	09/10/92 0815			33,335 27,400	246 12.28		7,020 305.37	- -	- - -	-	-	37 0.60	34.0	28,600	3,720	50.0
	11/05/92 0900	66.2		27,685 26,800		73.08		-	- - -	, <u>-</u> -	- - -	33 0.53		28,000		44.6
VGD 4406	1			25,712 27,200				- - -	- - -	 - -	- - -	45 0.72		28,300	4,350 -	47.7 -
•	03/09/92 0900		7.6 8.0	27,200		66.42	317.98	6 0.15 0	7.88	16,800 349.44 87	43.43	41 0.66 0		28,300		

The agricultural water user generally will find the total dissolved solids (TDS) values more useful for drainage needs than the sodium and sulfate values. As TDS rises in drainage water, soil EC also tends to rise. With higher soil EC, soil permeability is reduced, requiring the agricultural user to apply soil amendments like gypsum to maintain permeability. TDS is approximately 0.8 times the EC, as chronicled in the drainage monitoring report for 1974. Table 7 summarizes TDS averages from 1986 through 1992 for the central and southern areas. In the central and southern areas, the 1992 TDS readings were slightly lower than past averages, which could signify a change in ground water characteristics. Continual monitoring will be required to confirm this speculation. In the southern area, TDS values exceeding 40,000 mg/L occurred only at stations LNW 6459 and VGD 4406, with most other stations well under 30,000 mg/L.

TABLE 7

TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS IN SUBSURFACE DRAINS
1986 THROUGH 1992
(milligrams per liter)

Area	•			metic Ave ometric M				19	992
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	Minimum	Maximum
Central	5,898 5,391	6,216 5,603	5,584 5,021	5,461 4,918	5,497 5,000	5,754 5,386	5,211 4,633	1,860	11,500
Southern	13,708 8,934	17,249 12,000	14,408 9,423	13,318 8,778	14,008 9,278	13,554 8,895	13,859 8,738	1,750	46,200

Increasing attention is being given to reuse of agricultural drainage water. Ideal irrigation water would have less than 450 mg/L of TDS. Drainage water reapplied to most crops should have an EC of less than 3,000 μ S/cm, although some crops like deciduous fruit trees have a much lower EC tolerance. Also, if drainage water high in sodium and other salts is reused as irrigation water without treatment or dilution, permeability problems may develop in the soil. High levels of sodium in combination with chloride in irrigation water can lead to crop tissue burns if such water is applied during germination.

The sodium adsorption ratio (SAR) of water reflects water's ability to enter into cation-exchange reactions within the soil. High SAR values imply that sodium will replace the more beneficial calcium and magnesium ions in the soil structure. As an index of the danger of adverse sodium effects, the allowable SAR for fruit crops may be as low as 4 or as high as 16 for some tolerant field crops. The central area had a maximum SAR value of 20.5, with an average SAR value of 9.71 in its subsurface drains. The southern area subsurface drains had a maximum of 133.6 at station LNW 6459 during September 1992. Station LNW 6459 also had a high SAR value of 117.6 in November 1992. The average SAR value for the southern area was 32.4.

TABLE 6 (continued)

Station	Date Time	Temp.		ield oratory	Min	eral Co	nstituents	s in :	Milliequ		<u>per Liter</u> ce Value		1	Minera Constitue Milligra per Lite	nts ims	SAR ASAR as
		<u>°C</u> °F	pН	EC (μS/cm)	Ca	Mg	Na	K	T. Alk. as CaCO3	SO4	Cl	NO3	В	TDS Sum	TH NCH	CaCO3
														***************************************	•	
VGD 4406	05/11/92 0815	16.0 60.8		32,670 29,200	430	943	7,770 337.99			-	-	35 0.56	36.0	30,700	4,960	48.0
	0013	00.0	•	29,200	21.40	11.31	331.99		-	-	-	0.50		-	-	-
									•							
	07/06/92	19.0	7.5	24,860	386	693	7,350			-	-	48	34.0	24,500	3,820	51.7
	0745	66.2	-	24,100	19.26	56.96	319.72	-	,-	-	=	0.77		-	-	-
					-			-	. -	-	-					
	09/10/92	20.0	7.5	35,520	353	1.170	8,280				_	31	36.0	33,800	5.700	47.7
	0800	68.0		31,300			360.18		-	_	-	0.50	50.0	-	-	-
					-	-	-	-			-	-			*	
		400	- 0			4 400	44000							40.000		
	11/05/92 0845	19.0 66.2		38,646 37,600		-	14,900		-	-	-	18 0.29	39.0	42,800	6,930	77.8
	0045	00.2	_	57,000	15.67	-	540.15	_	_	_	-	-			_	_
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		•							•							
VGD 5412				18,880	372		5,050	-	-	. 7	, -		22.0	21,000	4,000	34.7
	0900	62.6	-	21,100	18.56	61.32	219.68	-	·		-	0.27		-	-	-
						_			_	_						
	03/09/92	17.0	7.3	2	366	475	4,900	9	433	11,800	1,110	23	26.0	19,800	2,870	39.7
	0830	62.6	8.0	20,100			213.15	0.22		245.44	31.30	0.37		-,	2,437	113.8
					7	14	79	. 0	3	86	11	0				
	05/11/92	16.0	73	23,292	380	624	5,220		_	_		24	28.0	20,300	3-520	38.2
	0745			20,700		•	227.07	٠.	· -	-	-	0.39		-	-	-
					_		- .		· · -	-	-	-				,
	07/06/92 0730	18.0 64.4		20,585 21,300			6,530 284:06		-		-	25 0.40	25.0	21,100	7,310	33.2
	0730	04.4	-	21,500		13.44	284.00	-	-	-	-	0.40		-	-	•
							٠.		`.							,
	09/10/92			26,418	405		5,740	-	. · <u>-</u>	-	-		26.0	23,700	4,100	38.9
	0745	68.0	-	23,300	20.21	61.73	249.69	-	- ,	-	-	0.40		·	-	-
•					-	-			-	-	-	-				
	11/05/92	19.0	7.3	23,165	407	938	5,200		· · · <u>-</u>	· <u>-</u>	_	20	23.0	24,400	4,880	32.3
i.	0830	66.2		23,700	20.31	77.10	226.20	-		-	-	0.32		-	-	
					·-	-	-,	· · -	-	-	-	-				

The adjusted sodium adsorption ratio (ASAR) takes into account the additional effects of carbonate and bicarbonate in increasing a soil's sodium level. Bicarbonate ions in water cause calcium to be precipitated as calcium carbonate while not affecting the sodium in solution. For the central area, the maximum ASAR was 51.9 with an average value of 27.9 in its subsurface drains. In the southern area, the maximum ASAR was 141.6 at Station STC 5436 in March 1992. The average ASAR in the southern area was 80.9.

Boron, an essential mineral in small quantities for plant growth, often occurs at unacceptable levels in drain waters. Excessive quantities of boron in irrigation water can be toxic to some plants. The central area drains had a maximum boron concentration of 60.0 mg/L, but the average was only 14.1 mg/L for its subsurface drains. Similar readings were found in the southern area with a maximum boron level of 52.0 mg/L and an average 16.9 mg/L. In both the central and southern areas, the maximum levels and overall area averages for boron have remained fairly constant.

Total hardness (as calcium carbonate) was lowest in the central area with a maximum level of 3,150 mg/L and a subsurface drain average of 1,775 mg/L. The southern area had higher overall concentrations with a maximum of 7,310 mg/L and an average of 2,296 mg/L. Water with greater than 300-mg/L hardness levels can cause scaling in irrigation and drainage pipes if the water becomes warm.

Effluent at the two surface drainage stations (CTL 4504 and DPS 3235) had sodium, sulfate, and chloride as its principal mineral constituents. Since surface drains can contain a mixture of tail water, subsurface drain water, and other runoff, the mineral levels will be lower due to dilution. EC had a maximum level of 5,180 μ S/cm and an average of 4,765 μ S/cm for the two stations. Boron averaged 8.1 mg/L and had a maximum reading of 9.6 mg/L. The SAR averaged 8.2 with an average ASAR of 21.2.

Trace Elements

Because their 1987 concentrations were very low or undetectable, the following trace elements have not been sampled for since that year: aluminum, barium, cadmium, cobalt, copper, iron, lead, mercury, silver, and zinc. As new sampling locations are established, these elements will be sampled for on an occasional basis until a thorough water quality history is established.

Trace elements sampled for in 1992 included arsenic, chromium, manganese, molybdenum, nickel, selenium, and strontium. These elements and others are considered trace elements because they occur in smaller concentrations than do mineral elements.

In 1992, DWR analyzed 44 samples from the central subsurface drains, 12 samples from the central surface drains, and 87 samples from the southern subsurface drains. Trace elements detected in the central subsurface and surface drains and southern subsurface drains are summarized in Table 8. The monthly values for all sampled stations can be found in Tables 9 and 10 for the central subsurface and surface drains and southern subsurface drains, respectively.

TABLE 8
SUMMARY OF TRACE ELEMENTS DETECTED 1992

		-	Percentage			entration ms per liter)	
Element	Times Sampled	Times Detected	of Times Detected	Maximum	Minimum	Arithmetic Average	Geometric Mean
		<u>C</u>	Central Area	Surface Dra	ains	·	
Arsenic	2	2	100	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001
Chromium	2	2	100	0.029	0.017	0.023	0.022
Manganese	2	2	100	0.082	0.073	0.077	0.077
Molybdenum	2	.2	100	0.023	0.009	0.016	0.014
Nickel	2	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Selenium	12	12	100	0.107	0.044	0.078	0.075
Strontium	2	2	100	5.200	4.400	4.800	4.783
			. 1 4				
		<u>Ce</u>	ntral Area S	ubsurface D	<u>rains</u>		
Arsenic	9	9	100	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.001
Chromium	9	8	89	0.100	0.008	0.042	0.031
Manganese	. 9	3 .	33	0.177	0.009	0.071	0.035
Molybdenum	9	6	67	0.134	0.007	0.062	0.045
Nickel	9	1	11	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007
Selenium	44	44	100	0.250	0.002	0.066	0.042
Strontium	9	9	100	11.000	3.100	5.760	5.161
		Sou	thern Area	Subsurface I	<u>Drains</u>		
Arsenic	. 16	16	100	0.490	0.002	0.079	0.022
Chromium	16	4	25	0.013	0.010	0.011	0.011
Manganese	16	12	75	2.600	0.008	0.532	0.181
Molybdenum	16	16	100	1.200	0.106	0.590	0.453
Nickel	9	5	56	0.017	0.006	0.010	0.009
Selenium	87	87	100	0.900	0.001	0.075	0.012
Strontium	16	16	100	11.000	0.600	4.730	3.378
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TABLE 9 $\label{table 9}$ TRACE ELEMENTS DETECTED IN CENTRAL AREA SUBSURFACE AND SURFACE DRAINS 1992

					Trace	Elements	(milligrar	ns per lite	er)	
Station	Date	Lab EC	Field	·	Total					
	<u> </u>	(µS/cm)	pН	As	Cr	Mn	Mo	Ni	Se	Sr
BVS 6016	01/14/92	6,420	7.6			_		_	0.085	
D 42 0010	03/11/92		7.6	0.001	0.020	< 0.005	0.043	< 0.005		3.60
F	05/13/92	•	7.3	0.001	0.020	\0.003	, 0.013	\0.003	0.074	3.00
	07/08/92		6.7		-	_		_	0.074	
	01100192	3,700	0.7		-			-	0.062	
BVS 8003	01/14/92	8,570	7.5		. <u>-</u>	-	-	_	0.132	-
•	03/11/92	8,610	7.3	0.002	0.018	< 0.005	0.134	0.007	0.200	4.20
	07/08/92	11,300	7.4	_	_	_	-	-	0.250	_
	09/10/92		7.5	<u>-</u> ,	_	-	-	-	0.218	_
	11/12/92		7.3	-	-	-	_	-	0.074	-
CTL 4504	01/14/92	4,880	8.0			_	٠		0.077	
CIL 4504	03/11/92		8.3	0.001	0.017	0.073	0.023	< 0.005		4.40
	05/11/92		8.4	0.001	0.017	0.073	0.023	-	0.050	4.40
•				•	-	-		-	0.001	•
	07/08/92	•	8.3	-	-		-	-	0.072 0.075	-
1	09/10/92		8.3		-	-	-	-		-
	11/12/92	4,340	7.9	-	-	-			0.044	-
DPS 1367	01/14/92	5,370	7.3	·	-	-	-	-	0.140	-
	03/11/92	5,300	7.4	0.001	0.025	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	0.138	6.60
	05/13/92	5,210	7.4	-	-	-		-	0.104	-
	07/08/92	5,450	7.4	-	-	-	-	-	0.141	-
	09/10/92	-	7.3	-	-	· -	-	-	0.140	-
-	11/12/92	5,490	7.4	-	-	-	-	· -	0.133	-
DPS 2535	01/14/92	7,870	7.3	_	_		_	_	0.032	_
DF & 2555	03/11/92	-	7.3	0.001	0.100	< 0.005	0.007	< 0.005		9.60
•			7.4	0.001	0.100	<0.003	0.007	~0.005	0.031	9.00
i	05/13/92	•		-	-	-	_	-	0.033	-
	07/08/92		7.3	-	-	-	. =	•••		
	09/10/92		7.3			-	-	, · -	0.050	-
	11/12/92	12,300	7.2	-	-		-		0.058	_
DPS 3235	01/14/92	4,850	8.0	· -	_	_	_	-	0.080	-
	03/11/92	5,180	8.0	0.002	0.029	0.082	0.009	< 0.005	0.091	5.20
	05/13/92		8.4	-	-	-	-	-	0.082	_
	07/08/92			_	_	_	-	-	0.107	-
	09/10/92		8.4		_	-	-	-	0.083	-
	11/12/92		8.4		-	~			0.061	-
DPS 3465	01/14/92	7,110	7.0		_		_	_	0.018	_
כט זע איני	03/11/92		7.0	0.001	0.064	0.177	< 0.005	<0.005		11.00
	05/11/92	-	7.0	0.001	U.UU T	U.I// -	-0.003	<0.005 -	0.025	
·	03/13/92		7.2	-	-	-	-	_	0.013	- -
	11/12/92		7.1		-	-	-	_	0.017	· -
DPS 4616	01/14/92	10,700	7.3	-	-	-	-	-	800.0	-

TABLE 9 (continued)

TRACE ELEMENTS DETECTED IN CENTRAL AREA SUBSURFACE AND SURFACE DRAINS
1992

					Trace	Elements	(milligrar	ns per lite	er)	
Station	Date	Lab EC	Field		Total					
		(µS/cm)	pН	As	Cr	Mn	Mo	Ni	Se	Sr
DPS 4616	03/11/92	13,000	7.4	0.002	0.030	0.026	0.038	< 0.005	0.018	6.90
	11/12/92		7.3	-	-	_	-	-	0.016	-
FBH 2016	01/14/92	6,980	8.0	-	-	-	_		0.134	· _
	03/11/92	3,100	7.4	0.002	<0.005	0.009	0.065	< 0.005	0.036	3.10
FBH 8061	01/14/92	2,310	7.6		_		_	_	0.002	_
	03/11/92		7.4	0.002	0.008	< 0.005	0.082	< 0.005	0.009	3.20
	05/13/92	5,140	7.5	_	-		-	· <u>-</u>	0.036	_
	07/08/92	5,400	7.4	-	-	-			0.036	-
	09/10/92	-	7.3	-	-	_	•	-	0.016	_
	11/12/92	4,400	7.3	-	-	-	-	-	0.035	
HMH 7516	01/14/92	3,410	6.2	-	_	_	_	_	0.030	_
	03/11/92	•		0.001	0.072	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005		3.60
	05/13/92	•			_	_	_	_	0.039	
		-		-	_	_	_	_	0.017	_
					_	_	_	_	0.030	-
				_	_	_		-	0.016	_
		3,000 2,890 3,410	7.3 7.3 7.2 7.3 7.3	0.001	0.072	<0.005 - - - -	<0.005 - - - -	-	0.0	039 017 030

TABLE 10 $\label{table 10}$ TRACE ELEMENTS DETECTED IN SOUTHERN AREA SUBSURFACE DRAINS 1992

	1 . 1			Trace Elements (milligrams per liter)							
Station	Date	Lab EC	Field	Total Total							
Station	Date	(μS/cm)	рН	As	Cr	Mn	Mo	Ni	Se	Sr	
		-									
CCN 3550	01/14/92	3,710	6.9	-	-	.	<u>-</u>	-	0.002	-	
	03/10/92	5,720	7.3	0.013	< 0.005	0.700	0.139	< 0.005	0.003	2.20	
	05/12/92	5,050	7.4	-	-	-	-	-	0.002	-	
	07/07/92	4,250	7.1	-	-	-	-	-	0.002	-	
	11/06/92	4,730	7.1	-	<u>.</u>	-		-	0.002	-	
CNR 0801	01/13/92	9,070	7.8	••	-	_	_		0.005	-	
	05/11/92	8,810	7.1	-	-	_	-	_	0.007	-	
	07/06/92		7.4	_	· •	• _	_	-	0.007	_	
	09/10/92	•	7.0	_	_	_	_	_	0.002		
	11/05/92		7.6		-	•		-	0.004	-	
COC 4126	01/13/92	5,180	7.4	-				· .	0.022	_	
COC 4120	03/09/92		7.3	0.002	< 0.005	0.023	0.116	< 0.005	0.020	5.00	
	05/05/52	5,450	7.3	0.002		0.025	. 0.110	~0.00	0.020	5.00	
	07/06/92		7.5		_	_	_		0.020		
		•		-	-	-	_		0.016	-	
	09/10/92		7.1	-	-	-	-	-		-	
	11/05/92	5,100	7.5	-	•	-	-	-	0.014	_ `	
COC 5329	01/13/92	-	7.0	-	_	-	-		0.396		
	07/06/92	7,530	7.5	-	-	-	-	· -	0.372		
	09/10/92	-	7.3	_	-	· · -	· -	· -	0.282	-	
	11/05/92	7,080	7.3	-	-	-	-	-	0.328		
ERR 7525	01/14/92	5,050	7.5		· -	_	-	•	0.007	-	
•	03/10/92	5,960	7.5	0.091	0.010	0.127	0.368	0.006	0.006	1.60	
	05/12/92	5,820	7.3	-	-	-	-	-	0.006	-	
ERR 8429	01/14/92	3,720	8.0	_	_	_	_	_	0.004	_	
21210.25	03/10/92		7.8	0.149	< 0.005	0.134	0.420	0.007	0.004	0.70	
•	05/12/92	•	7.9	-		-	_	_	0.003	_	
	07/07/92	-	7.5	_		_	_		0.003	_	
	09/11/92	-	7.9	·	_	_	_		0.004	_	
	11/06/92		7.8	· _·	-				0.005	-	
ERR 8641	03/10/92	24,400	7.3	0.039	<0.005	2.600	1.200	0.017	0.030	4.70	
EKK 8041		-		0.039	<0.003	2.000	1.200	0.017	0.020	7.70	
	05/12/92		7.3	-	-	-	-	-	0.020	_	
	07/07/92		7.1	-	-		-	· -		-	
	09/11/92		7.3	-	-	-		-	0.015	-	
	11/06/92	12,100	7.3	-	-,			-	800.0	•	
GSY 0855	03/10/92	12,200	7.1	0.060	< 0.005	0.182	0.705	0.011	0.026	3.40	
HCH 7439	03/10/92		8.3	0.240	< 0.005	< 0.005	0.940	< 0.005		1.40	
	05/12/92		8.3	-	-	-	-	-	0.005	-	
	07/07/92	-	8.1		-	-	-	• -	0.001		
	09/11/92	3,740		-	-	-	-	-	0.001	-	
	11/06/92	2,870	8.5						0.001		

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	_			Trace Elements (milligrams per liter)								
Station	Date	Lab EC	Field		Total					ŀ		
		(µS/cm)	pН	As	Cr	Mn	Mo	Ni	Se	Sr		
LNW 5454	07/06/92	26,600	7.8	_	_	_	, _		0.182			
LIV VV 3434	11/05/92		7.3		_				0.102	-		
	11/05/72	21,000	7.5	-	_	_	- .	_	0.009			
LNW 5467	01/13/92	12,100	7.6	_	_	_	_	_	0.164	_		
	03/09/92		7.5	0.003	< 0.005	< 0.005	0.564	< 0.005	0.194	8.90		
•	05/11/92	•	7.6		-	_	_		0.196	-		
	07/06/92	12,300	7.5	-			-		0.177	_		
	09/10/92	16,300	7.4	- '	-	-	_	-	0.220	_		
1	11/05/92	16,100	7.5	-	-	-	·	-	0.227	-		
			*		•							
LNW 6459	01/13/92	41,300	8.1	_	-	-	· -	-	0.059	-		
	03/09/92	•	7.8	0.004	0.011	0.008	0.855	-	0.412	11.00		
	05/11/92		7.9	-	-	, <u>-</u>	-	-	0.102	-		
	07/06/92		7.8	-		_	-	-	0.077	-		
	09/10/92		8.0	-		-	-		0.076	-		
	11/05/92	54,400	7.6	-	-	•	-	••	0.084	-		
7 3 TTT < 1 < 1	01/10/00	40.400	7.0		•				0.045			
LNW 6467	01/13/92	•	7.8	0.000	0.010	-0.00#	0.040	-	0.245	- 11.00		
	03/09/92		7.6	0.003	0.010	< 0.005	0.940	-	0.900	11.00		
	05/11/92		7.9	-	•	-	-	-	0.577			
	07/06/92 11/05/92		7.5 7.3	-		<u>-</u>	-	, -	0.620 0.230	-		
	11/03/92	10,900	1.3	; -	-	-		-	0.230	-		
SFD 2727	03/10/92	7,470	7.0	0.031	< 0.005	0.068	0.130	0.008	0.002	2.00		
0110 2121	05/12/92	•	7.1	0.031	-	0.000	0.150	0.000	0.002	2.00		
	07/07/92	•	6.8	· -	_	· <u>-</u>	-		0.002	_		
	09/11/92	•	6.9	_	_		. , _	_	0.001			
		- /				÷						
STC 3505	01/14/92	3,000	8.0	-	-	-	-	· -	0.005	_		
	03/10/92		7.5	0.113	< 0.005	< 0.005	0.106	-	0.004	0.60		
	05/12/92	2,890	8.0		-	-	-	-	0.004	- .		
	07/07/92	2,740	7.8		-	_	-	-	0.004	-		
	09/11/92		8.0	-	-	-	-,		0.004	-		
*	11/06/92	2,810	8.1	-	-	-	-	-	0.004	-		
STC 5436	03/10/92	11,900	8.0	0.490	< 0.005	0.060	0.925	-	0.001	2.60		
TTCD 0006	00/00/00	05 400	5 .6	0.007	0.010	0.000	0.770		0.007	7.00		
VGD 3906	03/09/92	•	7.6	0.007	0.013	0.328	0.772	-	0.007	7.30		
	05/11/92		7.1	-	-	-	-		0.010	-		
	07/06/92	•	7.5		-	-		-	0.005 0.006	-		
•	09/10/92		7.4	-	-	-	-	-	0.006	-		
	11/05/92	26,800	7.5	-	-	-	-		0.004	-		
VGD 4406	01/13/92	27,200	7.9		_	_	_		0.006	_		
1 00 TT00	03/09/92		7.6	0.008	< 0.005	0.612	0.840	 -	0.005	7.60		
	05/11/92		7.5	-	-		-	_	0.004	,.oo -		
	07/06/92		7.5		-	_	_	-	0.004	_		
	000,72	,200	,		*				0.001			

TABLE 10 (continued)

TRACE ELEMENTS DETECTED IN SOUTHERN AREA SUBSURFACE DRAINS $1992\,$

Station	1			Trace Elements (milligrams per liter)							
	Date	Lab EC (μS/cm)	Field pH		Total		ì				
				As	Cr	Mn	Mo	Ni	Se	Sr	
VGD 4406	09/10/92	31.300	7.5	_		_	_	-	0.005		
	11/05/92	,	7.9	. -	-	-	-		0.002		
VGD 5412	01/13/92	21,100	7.4	· _	_	-			0.002		
	03/09/92	20,100	7.3	0.004	< 0.005	1.540	0.426	_	0.002	5.6	
	05/11/92	20,700	7.3	_	- ' ,	-	-		0.002		
	07/06/92	21,300	7.4			-		-	0.002		
	09/10/92	23,300	7.6	· _	_	-	-	-	0.002		
	11/05/92	23,700	7.3	-	_	_	• -	-	0.002		

Arsenic

Arsenic is known to occur naturally in parts of the southern drainage area, especially near the eastern edge of the Coast Range. It is also present in some insecticides and herbicides. Arsenic may cause decreased motor coordination, kidney damage, and respiratory problems in humans and livestock.

The maximum arsenic level in the central area subsurface drains for 1992 was 0.002 mg/L with an average slightly above 0.001 mg/L. Comparable arsenic levels were detected in the area's surface drains. The maximum arsenic level in the southern area subsurface drains was 0.490 mg/L at station STC 5436, near Buttonwillow Ridge. The southern area arsenic average level, however, was 0.079 mg/L — a slight decrease from the average 1991 value.

Figure 4 shows arsenic levels during 1992 for the central area stations around Firebaugh and Mendota. (Note that the bar graphs on this figure are configured to show minimal amounts of arsenic.) Figures 5 through 7 show arsenic levels for the southern area stations during 1992. Figure 5 shows arsenic levels around Lemoore and Corcoran with high readings at stations northeast of the Tulare Lake bed. The highest arsenic concentrations for the southern area were near the Semitropic and Buttonwillow Ridges, as shown on Figure 6. Figure 7 shows arsenic levels around the Kern Lake bed area.

Chromium

Chromium can cause kidney damage in human and animal life if ingested over long periods of time and can also be toxic to plants.

Chromium was detected eight times in central area subsurface drain samples with a maximum level of 0.100 mg/L and an average of 0.042 mg/L. The southern area had four chromium detections in subsurface drain samples with a maximum level of 0.013 mg/L and an average of 0.011 mg/L. The average level for chromium in 1992 was higher in the central area and slightly lower in the southern area than it was in 1991.

Manganese

Since manganese is often found in soils with significant iron levels, it should be present in most of the iron-rich drainage samples. Little is known about animal toxicity limits for manganese, but high levels of manganese can be injurious to plant and aquatic life.

Manganese levels in the central area subsurface drains in 1992 were comparable to the 1991 levels, with a maximum of 0.177 mg/L and an average of 0.071 mg/L. The central area surface drains showed detectable manganese traces in both samples taken, with an average of 0.078 mg/L and a maximum of 0.082 mg/L. Although manganese levels were as high as 2.600 mg/L in the southern area, the average for the area was only 0.532 mg/L. Peak levels for manganese in 1992 were similar to those in 1991, but the average was higher in central and southern area drains. As expected, stations VGD 3906, VGD 4406, and VGD 5412 had high manganese concentrations due to the high iron content of the soils in the area. In the Tulare Lake bed, station ERR 8641 had the highest manganese level, possibly due to the iron-rich soils.

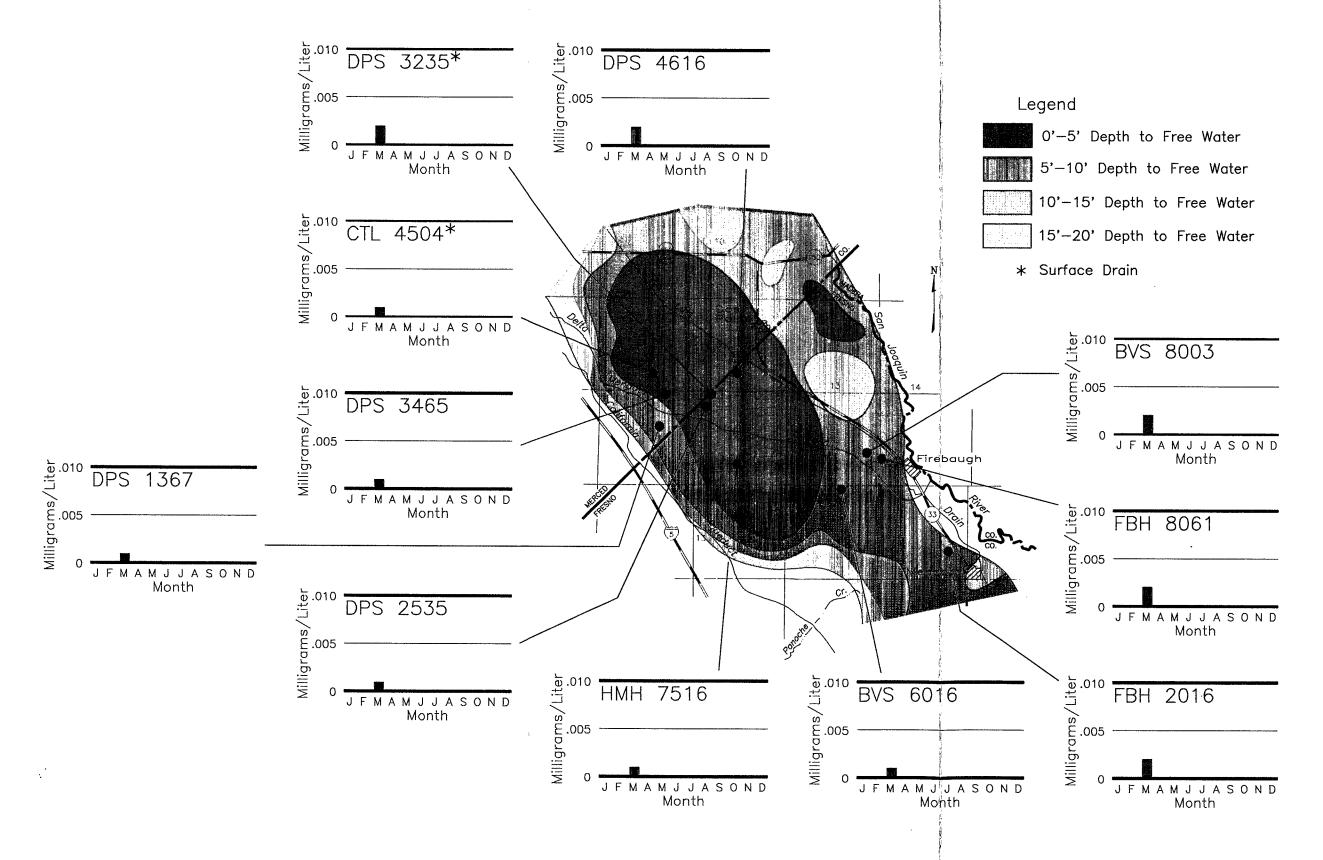


Figure 4. 1992 Arsenic Levels — Central Area, San Joaquin Valley Stations

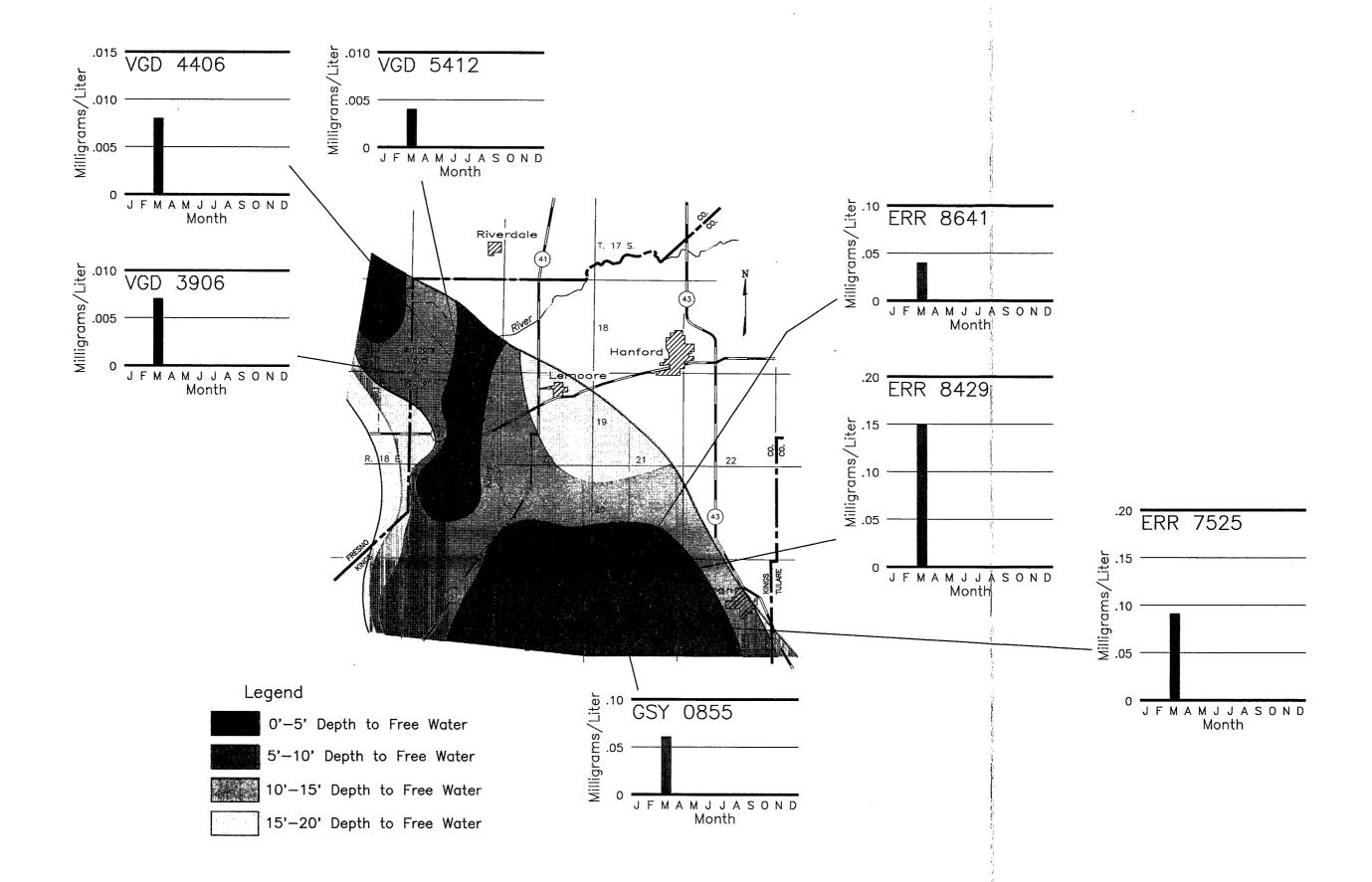


Figure 5. 1992 Arsenic Levels — Southern Area, San Joaquin Valley — Lemoore/Corcoran Stations

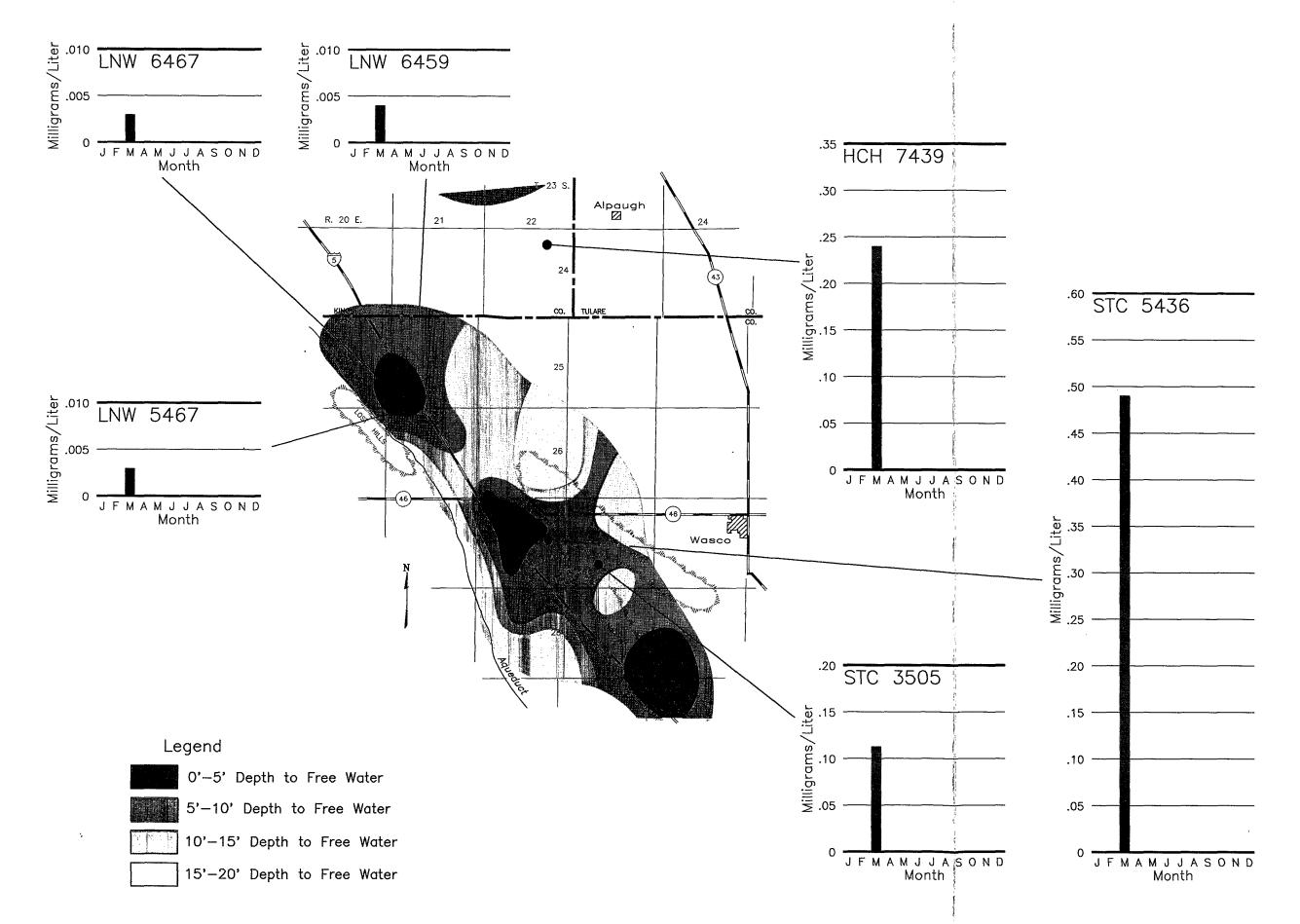
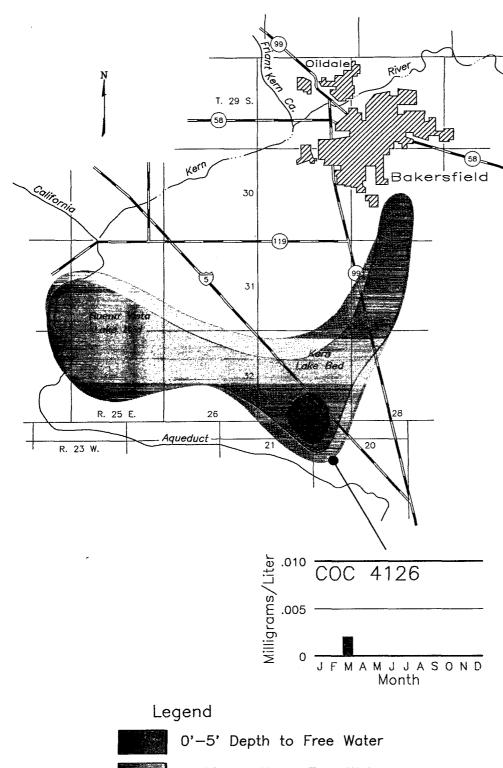
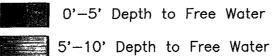


Figure 6. 1992 Arsenic Levels — Southern Area, San Joaquin Valley — Lost Hills/Semitropic Stations





10'-15' Depth to Free Water

Figure 7. 1992 Arsenic Levels - Southern Area, San Joaquin Valley — Kern Lake Bed Stations

Molybdenum

Molybdenum is a rare element that exists naturally in some geologic formations. Molybdenum can accumulate in plants and become toxic to grazing animals. High amounts of molybdenum can also be toxic to aquatic plant life. In the central area subsurface drains, molybdenum was detected in six samples, with a maximum level of 0.134 mg/L and an average of 0.062 mg/L. Molybdenum was detected in both central area surface drains, ranging from 0.009 to 0.023 mg/L with an average of 0.016 mg/L. The southern area subsurface drains had much higher molybdenum levels. The maximum level was 1.200 mg/L with an average of 0.590 mg/L from detections at all 16 stations.

Nickel

Nickel is a suspected carcinogen and may be present in ground water that comes in contact with wastes from electroplating industries. Nickel's effect on crops and aquatic life is not well known.

In 1992, the central area had one subsurface drain with a detectable quantity of nickel of 0.007 mg/L. The central area surface drains had no detectable nickel traces. Nickel was detected in the southern area in five samples with a maximum concentration of 0.017 mg/L and an average of 0.010 mg/L.

Selenium

Selenium is a naturally occurring, nonmetallic element that can accumulate in drainage waters when there is salt leaching and a high water table near the surface. In minute amounts, selenium is considered a required nutrient in humans. Water containing a high level of selenium, however, may be injurious to livestock that drink it, causing improper bone development, alkali disease, and cerebral disorders. In addition, selenium can significantly affect fish and wildlife exposed to it. Even low concentrations, under certain conditions, have been found to cause serious harm. Since there are large concentrations of selenium in the Coast Range, drainage waters near these mountains, especially in the Panoche fan area, may have unusually high levels of selenium.

In 1992, selenium levels in the central area subsurface drains averaged 0.066 mg/L with a maximum of 0.250 mg/L. Selenium was present in both central area surface drains, ranging from 0.044 to 0.107 mg/L with an average of 0.077 mg/L. All southern area drains had measurable levels of selenium, varying from a minimum of 0.001 mg/L to a maximum of 0.900 mg/L with an average of 0.075 mg/L. Since selenium levels greater than 0.500 mg/L occurred only near station LNW 6467, the area average may not accurately show the selenium levels over the whole southern area. If station LNW 6467 is excluded from the analysis, the southern area had an average of 0.048 mg/L with a maximum of 0.412 mg/L.

Figure 8 shows the 1992 selenium levels for the central area stations with high levels around Mendota and Firebaugh. Figures 9 through 11 show 1992 selenium levels for the southern area stations. (Note that the bar graphs on these figures are configured to show minimal amounts of

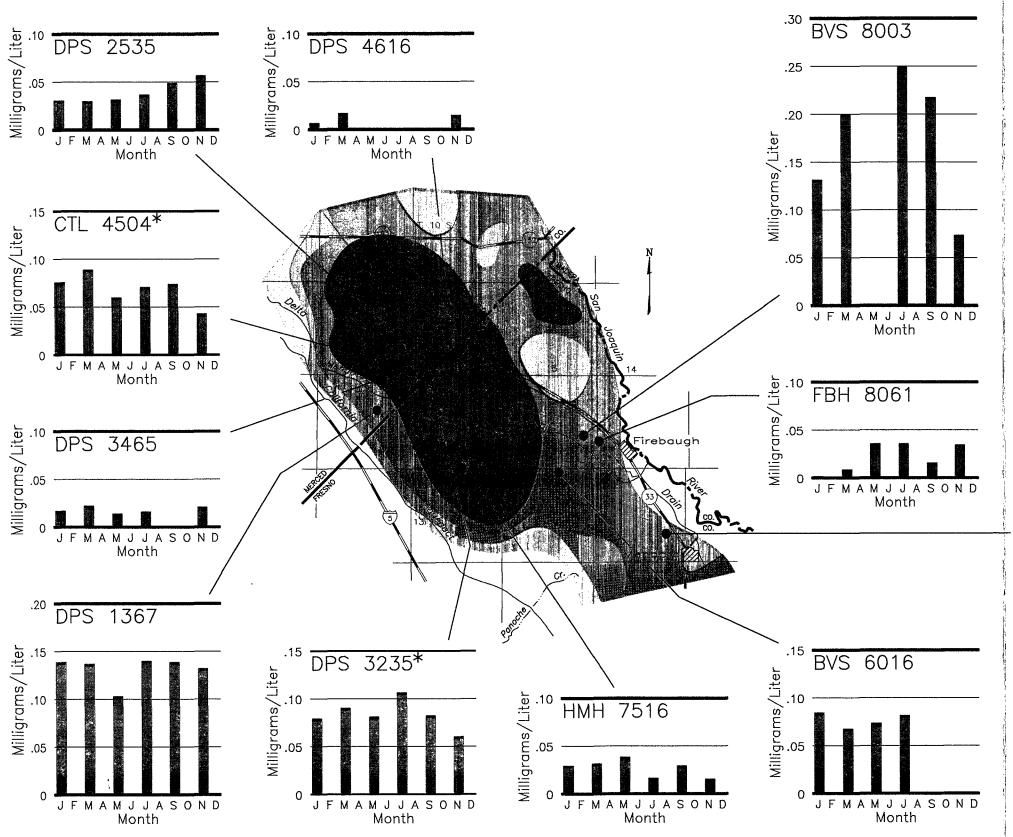


Figure 8. 1992 Selenium Levels — Central Area, San Joaquin Valley Stations

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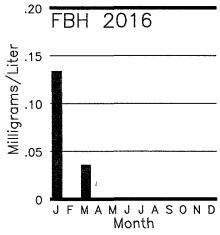
0'-5' Depth to Free Water

5'-10' Depth to Free Water

10'-15' Depth to Free Water

15'-20' Depth to Free Water

* Surface Drain



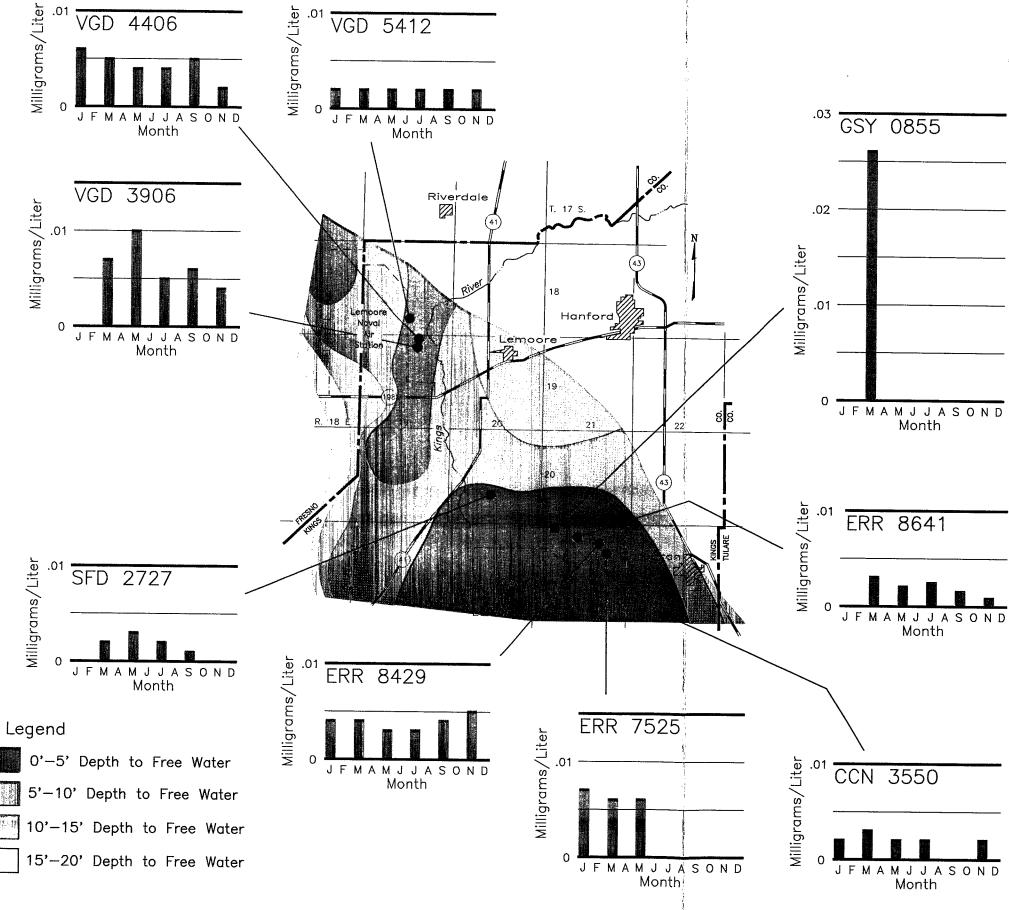


Figure 9. 1992 Selenium Levels — Southern Area, San Joaquin Valley — Lemoore/Corcoran Stations

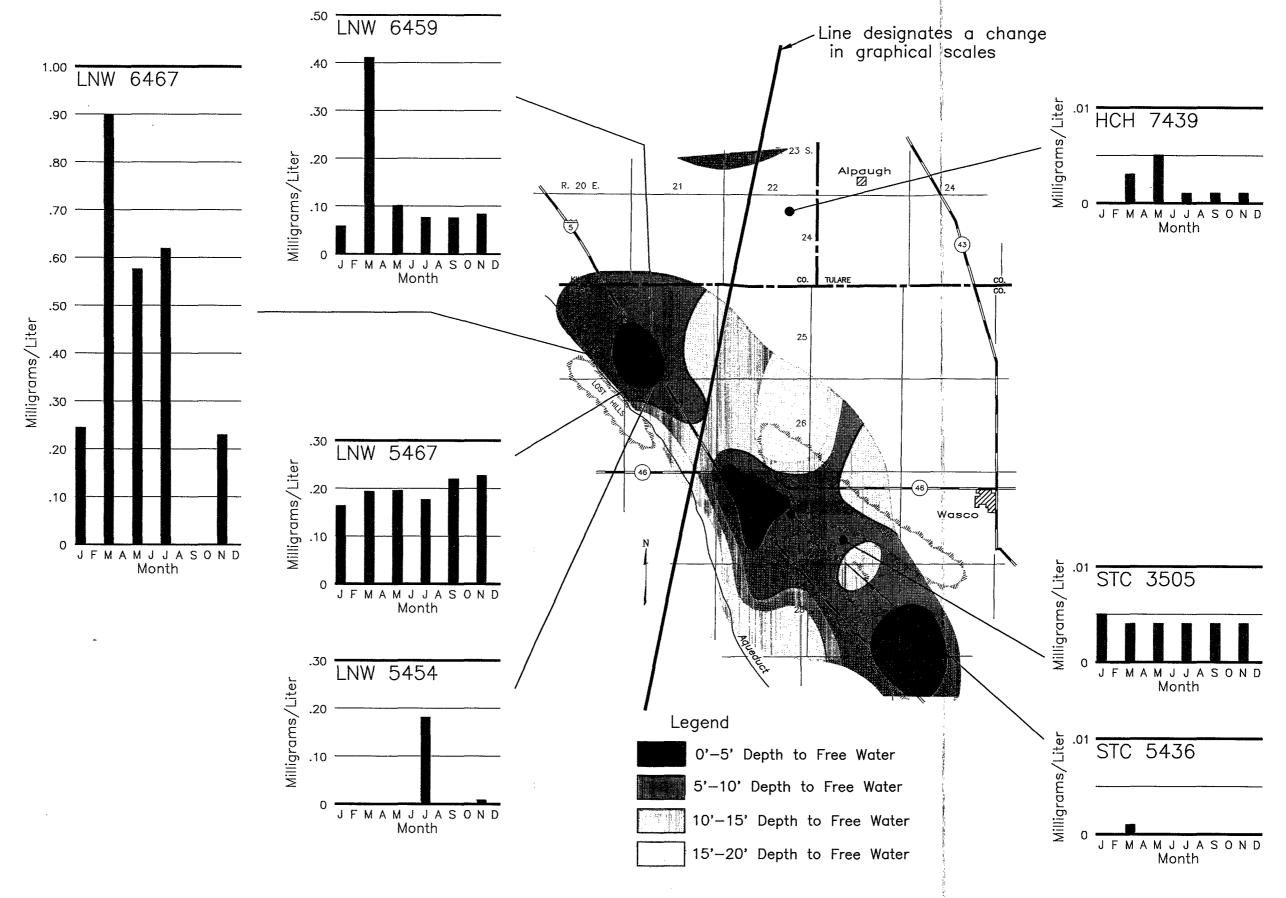


Figure 10. 1992 Selenium Levels — Southern Area, San Joaquin Valley — Lost Hills/Semitropic Stations

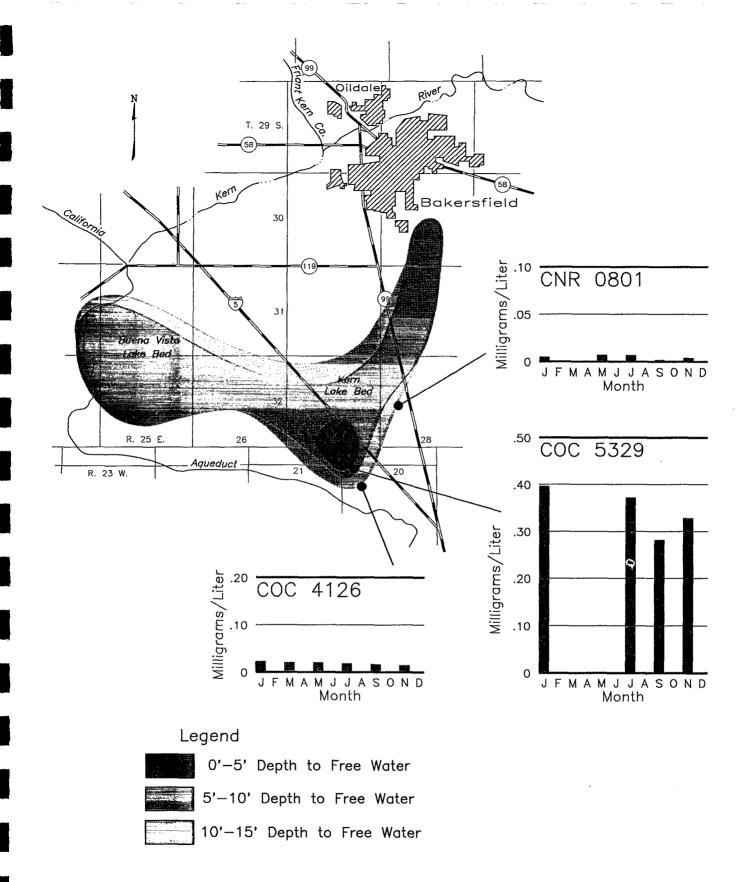


Figure 11. 1992 Selenium Levels — Southern Area, San Joaquin Valley — Kern Lake Bed Stations

selenium.) The stations near the Tulare Lake bed (Figure 9) reported relatively low selenium levels. The stations near Lost Hills (Figure 10), especially station LNW 6467, reported the highest overall concentrations of selenium for the southern area. The selenium levels around the Kern Lake bed (Figure 11) vary widely.

Strontium

Strontium is a fairly common element usually present in water in minor amounts. Although two isotopes of strontium are radioactive, drainage waters contain the nonradioactive form of strontium. The public health effects of nonradioactive strontium are not well understood; thus no water quality limits have been established. The agricultural effects of strontium in irrigation water are not well understood either, but levels higher than 200 mg/L may cause soil permeability problems.

In the central area subsurface drains, strontium was detected at all nine stations with a minimum concentration of 3.10 mg/L, a maximum of 11.00 mg/L, and an average of 5.76 mg/L. Strontium levels were lower in the central area surface drains with a maximum level of 5.20 mg/L and an average of 4.80 mg/L. In the southern area, strontium was detected at all 16 stations. The southern subsurface drains had a minimum of 0.60 mg/L, a maximum of 11.00 mg/L, and an average of 4.73 mg/L.

RESULTS OF GROUND WATER SYNOPTIC STUDY

The U.S. Geological Survey in cooperation with DWR completed a ground water synoptic study in the Tulare Basin in 1989 and published the results in a 1993 report entitled *Water-Quality Data for Shallow Wells in the Western and Southern Tulare Basin, San Joaquin Valley, California, May to August 1989*. The study showed that the quality of shallow ground water in the basin is characterized by a high degree of variability. Concentrations of dissolved solids range from 176 to 91,900 mg/L, with a median concentration of 4,440 mg/L. Salinity, expressed as specific conductance, ranges from 288 to 102,000 μ S/cm, with a median of 5,450 μ S/cm. By comparison, drinking water typically is less than 750 μ S/cm, irrigation water is less than 1,250 μ S/cm, and sea water is about 50,000 μ S/cm.

Sodium is the dominant (50 percent or greater) major cation in 89 of the 117 wells sampled, calcium is dominant in 8, and magnesium in 2. There is no dominant cation in 18 of the wells sampled. Sulfate is the dominant anion in 68 of the 117 wells sampled, bicarbonate is dominant in 18, and chloride in 11. There is no dominant anion in 20 of the wells sampled.

Selenium, a trace element of primary interest in this study, ranged from less than 1 to 1,000 micrograms per liter (μ g/L), with a median concentration of 1 μ g/L. In contrast, selenium concentrations in the San Luis Drain, which discharged into Kesterson Reservoir until 1986, averaged about 300 μ g/L. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency water quality criterion for long-term exposure in aquatic environments is 5 μ g/L, and the drinking water maximum contaminant level is 50 μ g/L.

1993 MONITORING PROGRAM

The 1993 drainage monitoring program will be similar to the 1992 program. All minerals sampled for in 1992 will continue to be sampled for in 1993. Trace elements sampled for in 1992 will be sampled for in 1993, with continued emphasis on arsenic, molybdenum, and selenium due to their occurrence throughout the southern and central areas. In the 1993 report, some drainage stations will have historical graphs of selenium and other trace element levels. All drains monitored in 1992 will be monitored in 1993.

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EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS USED IN TABLES

Time Pacific Standard Time on a 24-hour clock

Temp. Temperature of water at time of sampling in degrees Celsius (°C)

and degrees Fahrenheit (°F)

pH Measure of acidity (<7) or alkalinity (>7) of water

EC (μS/cm) Electrical conductance in microsiemens per centimeter at 25° C

Mineral constituents:

B Boron Ca Calcium

CaCO3 Calcium carbonate

Cl Chloride
K Potassium
Mg Magnesium
Na Sodium

NO3 Nitrate (unfiltered)

SO4 Sulfate

T. Alk. Total alkalinity

TDS Gravimetric determination of total dissolved solids at 180° C

Sum TDS approximation (for confirmation purposes) determined by

addition of the following analyzed constituents: Ca + Mg + Na + 0.6 (CaCO3) + SO4 + Cl + NO3

TH Total hardness

NCH Noncarbonate hardness

Trace elements:

As Arsenic

Cr Chromium (total)

Mn Manganese Mo Molybdenum

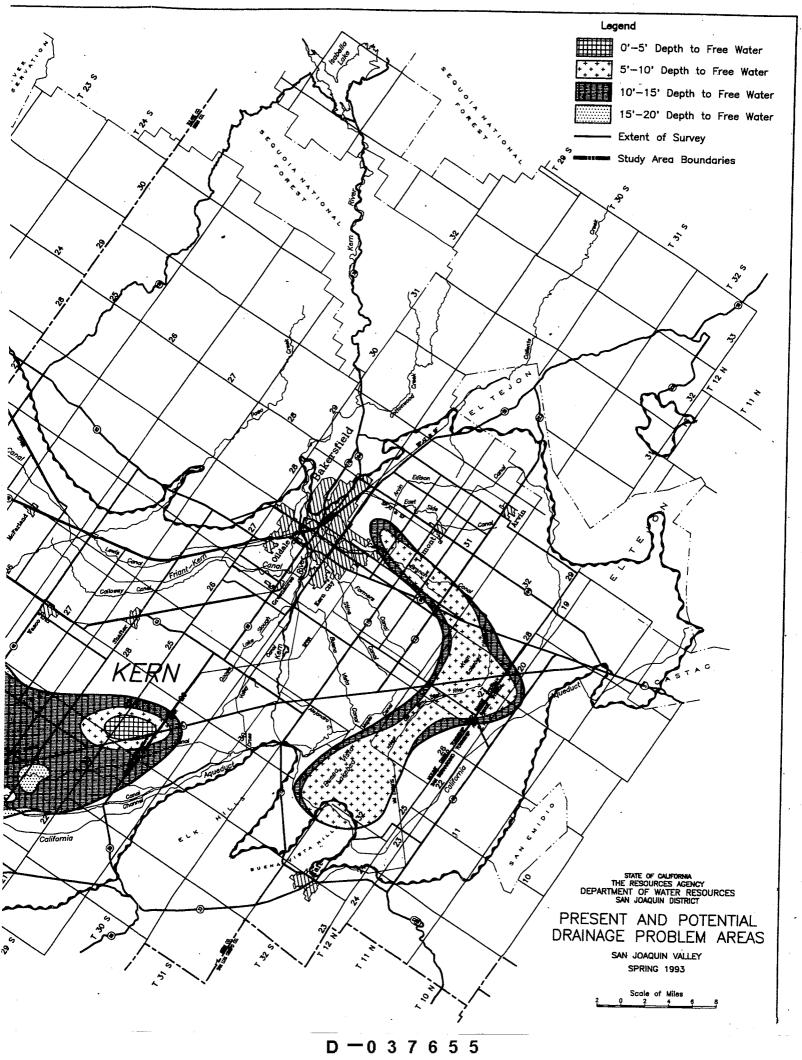
Ni Nickel
Se Selenium
Sr Strontium

SAR Sodium adsorption ratio (developed by U.S. Salinity Laboratory)

ASAR Adjusted SAR (for effects due to precipitation of calcium)

METRIC CONVERSIONS

Quantity	To Convert from Metric Unit	To Customary Unit	Multiply Metric Unit by	To Convert to Metric Unit Multiply Customary Unit by
Length	millimetres (mm)	inches (in)	0.03937	25.4
	centimetres (cm) for snow depth	inches (in)	0.3937	2.54
	metres (m)	feet (ft)	3.2808	0.3048
	kilometres (km)	miles (mi)	0.62139	1.6093
Area	square millimetres (mm²)	square inches (in²)	0.00155	645.16
	square metres (m ²)	square feet (ft ²)	10.764	0.092903
	hectares (ha)	acres (ac)	2.4710	0.40469
	square kilometres (km²)	square miles (mi ²)	0.3861	2.590
Volume	litres (L)	gallons (gal)	0.26417	3.7854
	megalitres	million gallons (10 ⁶ gal)	0.26417	3.7854
	cubic metres (m ³)	cubic feet (ft ³)	35.315	0.028317
	cubic metres (m ³)	cubic yards (yd³)	1.308	0.76455
	cubic dekametres (dam³)	acre-feet (ac-ft)	0.8107	1.2335
Flow	cubic metres per second (m³/s)	cubic feet per second (ft ³ /s)	35.315	0.028317
	litres per minute (L/min)	gallons per minute (gal/min)	0.26417	3.7854
	litres per day (L/day)	gallons per day (gal/day)	0.26417	3.7854
	megalitres per day (ML/day)	million gallons per day (mgd)	0.26417	3.7854
	cubic dekametres per day (dam³/day)	acre-feet per day (ac-ft/day)	0.8107	1.2335
Mass	kilograms (kg)	pounds (lb)	2.2046	0.45359
	megagrams (Mg)	tons (short, 2,000 lb)	1.1023	0.90718
Velocity	metres per second (m/s)	feet per second (ft/s)	3.2808	0.3048
Power	kilowatts (kW)	horsepower (hp)	1.3405	0.746
Pressure	kilopascals (kPa)	pounds per square inch (psi)	0.14505	6.8948
	kilopascals (kPa)	feet head of water	0.33456	2.989
Specific capacity	litres per minute per metre drawdown	gallons per minute per foot drawdown	0.08052	12.419
Concentration	milligrams per litre (mg/L)	parts per million (ppm)	1.0	- 1.0
Electrical conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre (μS/cm)	micromhos per centimeter (μmho/cm)	1.0	1.0
Temperature	degrees Celsius (°C)	degrees Fahrenheit (°F)	$(1.8 \text{x}^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32$	(°F-32)/1.8



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